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Lots of Excitement as OHCRA Regatta Season Begins



ABOVE: Club Captain Al Darling hoists the OCC burgee on the Outrigger tent to kick off the OHCRA regatta season.



LEFT: Canoe racing co-chairs Michele St. John and Alice Lunt were all smiles at the Paiaina regatta.



TOP RIGHT: Youth Coach Mike Lum and Canoe Racing Chair Alice Lunt were happy with the performance of Junior 'Rigger crews.



BOTTOM RIGHT: The Girls 13's raised their paddles in victory with Coach Mark Sandvold.



RIGHT: Serving as registrars for regatta season are Deb Deshais, Melissa Totherow and Nicole Lamb.

The excitement was in the air at Keehi Lagoon on June 2 when the Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association held its first regatta of 2013, the Paiaina Regatta. The koa canoes shimmered on the beach in their glossy new coats of varnish. Club tents filled every inch of the beach and were full of enthusiastic novice and seasoned paddlers. By the time the pule and anthems were sung, the paddlers were jazzed and eager to get the canoes in the water.

It was a great day for Outrigger paddlers as well. Youth Coach Mike Lum's Junior 'Riggers rigged the *Kaoloa* and *Kakina* for the day's races.

Before the starting gun, Coach Lum told the gathered paddlers that "we've trained as hard as we can, so now it's time for you to go as hard as you can when you hit the water." And they did.

The youth won the Mixed 12, Girls 13, 15 and 16, Boys 18 and the Mixed Keiki races, and came in second in four more close finishes. The final two victories of the day were by the Junior Men and Women.

Outrigger made a great start to the season, winning eight races, finishing second in seven, and third in 12, amassing 146 points to finish in third place behind Hui Nalu, 170, and Kailua, 166.

This year OHCRA changed the way it scores the races, with the top six crews earning points instead of the top four, as has been done previously. The first crew to finish gets seven points, the second five, and the rest four-three-two and one.

OCC's representative to OHCRA Jen Bossert said that the hope was to increase competition by allowing more crews to add to the point totals. "The last three years have been pretty consistent as far as the winning line-up," she said. "We were looking

for a way to add more suspense, by not having the regatta decided by noon."

OHCRA also made some other changes to this year's races, including changing the distances of some of the races. All youth 12 to 15 and the novice B paddlers race one-quarter mile, the Junior men and women go one mile, and the senior men and women go 1 1/2 miles. All other races are half-mile.

The other big change for 2013 was the change of course. All races are on a quarter-mile course; there is no longer a half-mile flag. That means more turns for the longer races, but better viewing for spectators.

Race day now includes 42 events for paddlers from 12 and under to 65 plus.

Outrigger is fortunate to have great coaches with many years of experience to guide paddlers this year. Mahalo to our Head Coaches Willie Gacutan and Al Van Giesen; our youth head coach Mike Lum and his assistants Mark Sandvold, Leighton Miyachi, Bobby Yoza and Casey Teixeira. Liz Perry, assisted by Wendy Wichman and Anne-Marie Mizuno is coaching the novices. Upper Division women are coached by Jimmy Kincaid, while the men are coached by Mark Cluney. Masters coaches are Ken Bailey, women; and Chris Crabb, Bill Johnson and Wink Arnott, men.

On June 9, paddlers traveled to Kailua Beach Park for the Kamehameha Regatta, followed by the Father's Day Regatta on June 16 at Nanakuli Beach Park, and Waimanalo Regatta on June 23 at Waimanalo Beach Park.

Outrigger will host its 71st Annual Walter J. Macfarlane Regatta on Thursday, July 4 at Waikiki Beach. Join us for this classic event which kicks off at 8 a.m. and lasts until champagne is sipped from the Macfarlane trophies on the patio at Duke's around 4 p.m.

Paaina Regatta June 2, 2013 Keehi Lagoon Results

AAA Division

1. Hui Nalu 170. 2. Kailua 166. 3. Outrigger 146. 4. Lanikai 127.

Winning OCC Crews

Mixed 12 (1/4 mile): Ethan Wescoatt, Nikolaus Steiner, Emma Humphreys, Edine Davis, Nicole Yarbrough, 2:41.85.

Girls 13 (1/4 mile): Kiana Sandvold, Maile Heyer, Leia Deer, Kailee Graf, Micaela Kauhane, 2:31.93.

Open Keiki (1/4 mile): Lyla Wunderlich, Kanani Kato, Madison Balish, Lauren Bloom, Jazlyn Kim, Kaya McTigue, 2:32.95.

Girls 15 (1/4 mile): Napua Lum, Malia Belnap, Kelly Graf, Makena Kauhane, Maria-Elena Falahee-Wallen, Chien Jardine-Winters, 2:19.24.

Girls 16 (1/2 mile): Kiele Schwinn, Ellen Ashford, Shannon Buckland, Alyson Basdavanos, Kaimi Yoza, Janie Schaefer, 4:31.63.

Boys 18 (1/2 mile): Riggs Silva, Oliver Lewis, Walker Bolan, Kyle Chang, Alikha Philpotts, Kapono Fujitani, 3:49.87.

Junior Women (1 mile): Phina Eames, Julie Aio, Sarah Van De Vanter, Nikki Queyrel, Rachel Ross, Paula Crabb, 9:08.13.

Junior Men (1 mile): Max Solmssen, Simeon Ke-Paloma, Heinere Itchner, Bill Pratt, Makena Fernandez, Victor Bovino-Agustin, 7:48.93.

Kamehameha Regatta June 9, 2013 Kailua Beach Results

AAA Division: 1. Hui Nalu 170. 2. Kailua 169. 3. Lanikai 159. 4. Outrigger 147.

Winning OCC Crews

Girls 15 (1/4 mile): Emalia Eichelberger, Napua Lum, Makena Kauhane, Janie Schaefer, Mari Elena Falahee-Walker, Chien Jardine-Winter, 2:32.73.

Girls 16 (1/2 mile): Kiele Schwinn, Raychel Justice, Nicole Fong, Ellen Ashford, Shannon Buckland, Alyssa Basdavanos, 5:00.21.

Sophomore Women (1/2 mile): Jaimie Kinard, Julie Aio, Rachel Ross, Paula Crabb, Donna Kahakui, Jessica Kaawa, 4:24.15.

Junior Men (1 mile): Simeon Ke-Paloma, Bill Pratt, Makena Fernandez, Jayson Whitman, Cory Nakamura, Heinere Itchner, 8:08.06.

Men 65 (1/2 mile): Bill Johnson, Ron Hochuli, Glenn Perry, Geoff Avery, Allan Madalena, Bill Mowat, 4:25.67.

Men 60 (1/2 mile): Ken Bailey, Tom Arnott, Jimmy Kincaid, Chris Crabb, Bernie Paloma, Mel Mau, 4:09.15.

Women Open 4 (1/2 mile): Malia Kamisugi, Jane McKee, Melissa Thetherow, Rachel Kincaid, 5:11.24.

Father's Day Regatta June 16, 2013 Nanakuli Beach Park Results

AAA Division

1. Hui Nalu 180. 2. Kailua 175. 3. Outrigger 154. 4. Lanikai 120.

Winning OCC Crews

Girls 14 (1/4 mile): Malia Gacutan, Mahina Garrity, Kaya McTigue, Mapu Sekona, Rafael Lee, Kailey Thetherow, 2:18.10.

Open Keiki (1/4 mile): Jenna Neher, Rachel Ah Née, Kanani Kato, Cynthia Konickson, Katelyn Kam, Emma Bradley, 2:04.80.

Girls 16 (1/2 mile): Kiele Schwinn, Suzanne Bradley, Ellen Ashford, Alyssa Basdavanos, Raychel Justice, Nicole Fong, 4:36.98.

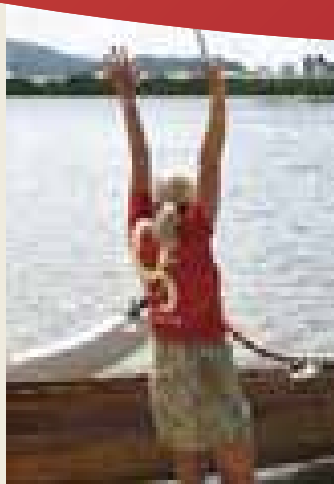
Boys 18 (1/2 mile): Kamana Russo, Oliver Lewis, Walker Bolan, Noah Deer, John Bustard, Mason Awong, 3:38.78.

Senior Women (1.5 miles): Jane McKee, Donna Kahakui, Julie Aio, Paula Crabb, Nikki Queyrel, Jessica Kaawa, 13:20.28.

Senior Men (1.5 miles): Heinere Itchner, Simeon Ke Paloma, Al Van Gieson, CJ Day, Justin Watts, Bill Pratt, 11:23.44.

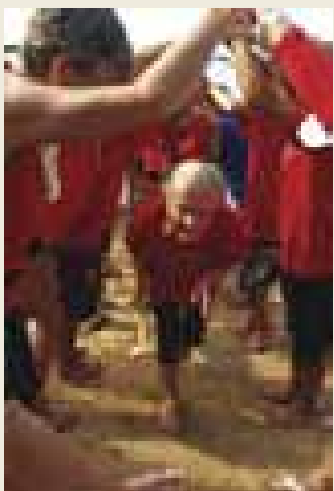
Men 65 (1/2 mile): Roger McNicholl, Bill Johnson, Ron Hochuli, Bill Mowat, Glenn Perry, Geoff Avery, 4:08.58.

Men 60 (1/2 mile): Ken Bailey, Jimmy Kincaid, Mel Maa, Tom Arnott, Chris Crabb, Bill Meheula, 3:54.47.



LEFT: Novice Coach Liz Perry was ecstatic with the finish of her novice B women.

BELOW: Spending their morning in Keehi Lagoon holding boats were Keahi Pelayo and Vik Watumull.



LEFT: Paddlers greeted the first winning crew of the season, the Mixed 12's, with a victory tunnel.

BELOW: The Kaoloa hits the water for the first time in 2013.



Meet Your 2013 OCC Paddlers



Boys 12

Front: Bud Robinson, Nik Steiner, Adam Krivatsy, Hobey Moss, Aukina Hunt. Back: Carson Miyachi, Reuben Lee, Ethan Wescoatt, Josiah Kaaa, Austin Bryan, Adam Sandvold.



Girls 12

Front: Hayden Brown, Maia Knox, Olivia Wedemeyer, Eliza Lewis, Julia Piper. Back: Nicole Yarbrough, Sydney Groten, Mimi Moody, Alexa Chong, Tehina Kahikina, Leiana Leong, Edlin Davis, Shayden Glenn.



Boys 13

Zoran Cullinan, Riley Kawananakoa, James Cole Hulick, Wyatt Yee, Drew Watumull.



Girls 13

Front: Kealoha Scullion, Maile Heyer, Cynthia Konikson, Madison Balish. Back: Kailee Graf, Micaela Kauhane, Lauren Bloom, Kiana Sandvold, Leia Deer.



Boys 14

Cole Pelayo, Peter Cross, Ethan Siegfried, Tainoa Thompson, Kanoa Cleveland, Raymond Justice.



Girls 14

Jasmine Kim, Christine Tamura, Rafael Lee, Kailey Totherow, Mahina Garrity, Sophia Krivatsy, Kaya McTigue, Rachel Ah-Nee, Lyla Wunderlich, Kianna Wilford.



Boys 15

Hunter Johnson, Noah Sandvold, Jon Chee, Ke`ea Lum, Nainoa Barlan, Ethan Lewis.



Girls 15

Emilia Eichelberger, Kelly Graf, Kukii Felahee-Walker, Chien Jardine-Winter, Napua Lum, Makena Kauhane, Malia Belnap.



Boys 16

Front: Matthew Yoshikawa, Ryan Ho. Back: Nathan Stoker, August Wunderlich, Noah Hayashida, Michael Luna, Pono Kaaa.



Boys 18

Front: Kyle Chang, Kealii Bolan. Back: Pono Fujitani, Laakea Awong, Noa Deer, Riggs Silva, Oliver Lewis, Alika Philpotts, Wyatt Hulick, Coach Mike Lum.



Girls 16-18

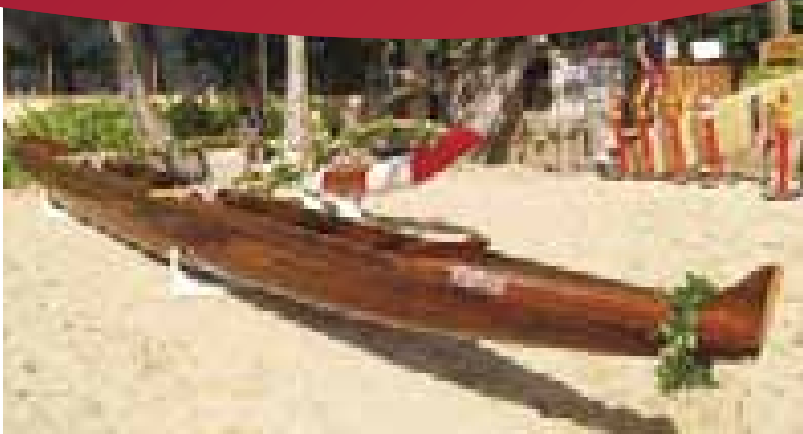
Front: Nicole Fong, Alyssa Basdavanos, Ellen Ashford, Kiele Schwinn, Kaimi Yoza, Janie Schaefer. Back: Kim-Hee Wong, Lo Ashford, Maddie Pelayo, Helena Schaefer, Bianca Batlen, Shannon Buckland.



Novice Men and Women

Front: Shannon Piper, Bonnie Brayton, Emily Tepper, JoAnne Klinke, Jennifer Kilpatrick, Katya Newton, Keala Peterson. Middle: Harry Newhart, Ken Silva, Doug Rowitch, Uli Klinke, Jenna Sheeley, Clarissa Burkert, Tanya Watumull, Coach Liz Perry, Anne-Marie Mizuno, Wendy Wichman. Back: Blair Herbert, John Hagerty, Jeff Newton, Dimitri Melnyk, Carl Graumann, Charlie Egedal, Alex Meheula, Maggie Parks, Mary Quinn, Marie Martel.

'Imua Outrigger! The Sweet *Leilani* Is Back!'



TOP LEFT: The Sweet *Leilani*

BOTTOM LEFT: Renovators Domie Gose and Joshua Dang, with the Koa Canoe Committee: Steve Scott, Jen Bossert and Walter Guild.

TOP RIGHT: Members brought lei for the blessing ceremony by Kahu Sherman.

BOTTOM RIGHT: The *Leilani* makes her first trip to the water in more than 10 years.

By Marilyn Kali

Many people believe that koa canoes are living things. During her recent renovation the Outrigger Canoe Club's 80-year-old koa canoe *Leilani* proved time and again that she is indeed alive.

Master Craftsman Domie Gose knows it for a fact. When the canoe was brought to the bottom level in the parking garage for her overhaul, Domie talked to her and told her that he was going to fix her up so the members could take her out to the ocean and race in her again.

It took a little persuasion to get her out of retirement and some carefully placed drops of wine everyday on her hull to get her full cooperation, but after that canoe and carpenter worked in harmony.

Old koa was removed and replaced, and she got a new bow and stern. She was given a more calabash shape and lengthened in the back by three feet. She now weighs 387 pounds and with weights will hit 401 to make the HCRA rule standard. She is now compliant with all current racing standards.

On May 31, paddlers gathered on the beach to bless the *Leilani* and sing her praises. Kahu Sherman performed the rites, led by Athletic Coordinating Directors Keahi Pelayo and Jen Bossert.

Following the blessing, paddlers hoisted the *Leilani* and

carried her in all her shimmering koa glory to the water for her baptism.

Jumping in the canoe for the inaugural run were Bossert, Gose and his assistant Joshua Dang, Kenny Bailey, Cole Pelayo and veteran steersman Mark Haine.

The ocean was flat as they paddled out, but if anyone can find a wave, Haine can. And sure enough he spotted a bump which became a wave and as everyone cheered, the *Leilani* surfed to shore in a blaze of glory.

You could hear her loud and clear: "Imua Outrigger! The Sweet *Leilani* is back!"

Haine sang her praises, "she steers like a dream," he said. Bossert was thrilled to see her work of 10 years come to fruition. "She was the women's canoe originally so I can't wait to use her in the Na Wahine this year."

Members will be able to enjoy her during the regatta and long distance seasons.

A big mahalo to Jen Bossert who as Canoe Racing Chair, Club Captain and Coordinating Director for Athletics pushed for the renovation of the *Leilani*; to the OCC Koa Canoe Committee composed of Bossert, Walter Guild, Steve Scott, Joe Quigg and Tay Perry who provided insight for the design and renovation; and to the carpenters who did such masterful work, Domie Gose and Joshua Dang.

JOHNNY'S GIRLS

By Barbara Del Piano



FAR LEFT: Front: Yvonne "Blondie" Boyd, Lorraine "Brownie" Williams. Back: Loretta Carter, Johnny Hollinger, Lois Gilman.

LEFT: Johnny Hollinger, Blondie Boyd, May Freeth, Barbara Borthwick, Alva Janssen.

Everybody knows about "Duke's Boys." They were the group of young men from the Outrigger that Duke Kahanamoku gathered together to form a crew and trained them to paddle in the first Walter J. Macfarlane Regatta in 1943. Over the years the crew changed, but whoever paddled on that six-man senior crew coached by Duke became part of that famous group.

But there was another group of paddlers assembled by a great coach for the first Macfarlane, although they have never received the recognition they deserve. So, 70 years later, let's give a round of applause to "Johnny's Girls."

Johnny Hollinger, like Duke, was an outstanding waterman and a true gentleman. He inspired many teenage wahine in the early 1940s to take up the sport in which few women participated at the time. Actually, it was Bob Fischer and Tommy Kiakona who formed the Outrigger's first female paddling crew in 1935, but it was the only female Outrigger crew and there were few other wahine crews to compete against at the time.

In 1943, Walter Macfarlane, the Club's popular president, died unexpectedly on the mainland and it was decided to honor him by naming an Independence Day regatta for him. While male coaches like Duke, Tommy Kiakona, John D. Kaupiko, Charley Amalu and others were assembling men's crews, Johnny Hollinger decided to round up four wahine to paddle in the race.

That first crew that Johnny put together consisted of Lorraine "Brownie" Brown, Loretta "Laurie" Carter, and Lois Gilman, with Yvonne "Blondie" Boyd as stroke. None of the girls had paddled much before and he really worked them hard, but at the same time built up a strong sense of both teamwork and team spirit.

The girls couldn't wait for the Fourth of July to make their debut on the waves. When they didn't make the cut for the first OCC crew, they were terribly disappointed, but Johnny came through for them. He entered them under the name of the Queen's Surf Team and they won the race.

Johnny did more than coach *wahine* paddling crews. When he was inducted into the Outrigger Winged "O" in 1964, he was commended as someone who was a true friend of the young people of the Club. "He was always volunteering his time, talents, and equipment to youngsters who were eager to learn to surf, swim, paddle, or steer a canoe."

In his oral history, the late Paul Dolan remembers "bumming beat-up boards from Johnny Hollinger when learning to surf."

Anita Berg also recalls borrowing long wooden boards from Johnny when she was learning to surf.

Johnny was born on July 25, 1894, one of 11 sons and three daughters of Thomas Hollinger, who was born in Canada, and a mother who came from Portugal. Thomas was a blacksmith, and as horses were the major means of transportation in those days, he had a flourishing business. He was also the Royal Ferrier to King Kalakaua. Their home was located on property which ran between Paki Avenue and Leahi Street, where a park is now located behind the Waikiki/Kapahulu Fire Station. Johnny learned his father's trade but ended up as a machinist at Pearl Harbor. He spent most of his free time on the beach, along with his brother Bill and many of his other siblings.

Johnny joined the Outrigger Canoe Club in 1923, at the age of 29, and from then on, devoted himself to helping others, especially young members, in learning water sports.

In 1948, Johnny took on a new group of paddlers consisting of sisters Anita and Doris Berg, Ivanelle Mountcastle, Pat Honl and Pam Anderson. At other times, May Freeth, Helen Haxton, Barbara Borthwick, Joan Kaaua, Carol Muirhead, Alva Janssen and Pat Barker joined that special group. His paddlers won practically every race they entered.

All of Johnny's Girls considered him not only an excellent coach, but a mentor and a true gentleman. He inspired them to become physically fit by surfing and exercising and personally helped them in both.

There are only a few of Johnny's Girls still around today, but those that are still hold his memory in the highest esteem, and even after more than half a century, remember him as a strong motivator and some one who had a lasting influence on their lives.

In those days, the Macfarlane Regatta and the Kamehameha Day Races were the only major paddling events until an Aloha Week event was added; the competition consisted of Outrigger, Hui Nalu, and the newly formed Waikiki Surf Club, although occasionally a team like "Queen's Surf" would enter at the last minute.

Today, there are more than 8,000 paddlers registered in the state; 18 clubs in the Oahu Canoe Racing Association and 77 in the Hawaii Canoe Racing Association. Without the inspiration and dedication of early coaches and mentors like Duke and Johnny, canoe paddling may not have become the Island-wide, popular sport it is today.

History of OCC's Racing Canoes

By Marilyn Kali

Part II

Last month we related the history of Outrigger's koa canoes *Hanakeoki*, *Kakina* and *Leilani*. This month we talk about the Club's other two racing canoes.

Kaoloa

In 1981, the Board of Directors decided again that a new koa canoe should be built to complement the aging *Leilani* and *Kakina*. While Club members looked for a koa log, the Board commissioned member Joe Quigg to design a new koa canoe in March 1982.

During the OHORA regatta season in 1983, Outrigger paddlers won a koa log by scoring the most points during the season. The log was a gift from Laura Thompson of Hui Nalu to OHORA to encourage and promote the use of koa canoes. The 45-foot log came from the Big Island.

With the log in hand, the Board gave Quigg the go-ahead to build the canoe. Work began in January 1985 and the canoe was finished in July 1986.

Quigg estimated the log was 200 years old, which is why it was so hard, heavy and rotten at both ends and in the center. When he got the log it had already been cut in half and left out in the rain for a long time. It had an original diameter that ranged from six to seven feet.

Winning the log gave Outrigger a chance to build a canoe to the most extreme limits of the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association rules, which had been changed after the long, narrow, sleek Tahitian canoes had won the Molokai race in 1976 and taken eight of the top 11 places.

Quigg used a chain saw to cut the outlines of the canoe. To hollow out the inside he made cross cuts and then broke out the middle using a small curved adze about the same size as one used by ancient Hawaiians (2-foot long), a chisel and sledgehammer. A power planer was used



The *Paoa* was blessed in June 1969 and taken into the water for the first time.

Paoa

After the *Leilani* was damaged in the 1966 Molokai race and believed to be a total loss, the Board of Directors decided that a new koa canoe should be built to replace the *Leilani*.

The only koa log that was available was on exhibit at Ulu Mau Village. It weighed eight tons and had a diameter of 4 1/2 feet. Both of its ends were termite infested.

The Club hired George Perry to build the canoe. He says the log came from the Kulani region on the Big Island and was probably more than 100 years old.

The *Paoa* was 39 feet 6 inches long and weighed 400 pounds. No metal screws, nails or braces were used in the canoe, only wood dowels. Perry says he designed the canoe for calm water, as the *Kakina* was intended for rough seas.

The canoe was originally named the *Leahi*. However, when Duke Paoa Kahanamoku died in January 1968, the Club decided to honor Duke and renamed the canoe the *Paoa*. It was dedicated on June 15, 1969.

The first crew to race in the *Paoa* was the Boys 16 which included Skipper Barnes, Doug Straehley, Barry Hall, Johnny King, George McPheeters and Dale Hope. They won.

Although Outrigger won some races in the *Paoa*, it was eventually considered excess since the *Leilani* had been rebuilt and the *Kakina* was in top form. It was sold to Ewa Beach Canoe Club in 1983 for \$10,000.



Joe Quigg designed and built the *Kaoloa*.

OCC paddled the *Kaoloa* to victory in the 1990 Molokai Hoe. Front: Mark Sandvold, Chris Kincaid, Walter Guild, Mark Rigg. Back: Coach Steve Scott, Tom Conner, Bruce Black, Geoff Graf, Courtney Seto and Kainoa Downing.



to bring it down to the design dimensions and smooth it out. A power sander was used to smoothly round everything out. Finer and finer sanding was done to hone it into the exact HCRA specifications. Quigg patched the rotten portions of the canoe with koa from a new log.

The *Kaoloa* was 44-feet 11 -inches long and weighed 415 pounds when completed. The canoe had koa seats which were integrated into the hull. The wae are raised two inches. Strength and support were given by adding wood strips crosswise inside the canoe. Quigg fashioned four new iako for the *Kaoloa*.

The *Kaoloa* was blessed on July 12, 1986 by Auntie Eva Pomroy. It was named by Quigg and the Canoe Racing Committee. The name means long spear.

The day after the blessing the *Kaoloa* was put to its first test in the John D. Kaupiko Regatta at Kaneohe Bay. The first crew to race in the *Kaoloa* was the Girls 12. They finished second. The first crew to win in the *Kaoloa* was the Men's Novice B crew in a half-mile race.

In the following weeks, the Outrigger used the *Kaoloa* to win both the OHCRA and HCRA championships.

The ultimate victory in the *Kaoloa* came in the Molokai Hoe on October 17, 1990 with a winning time of 5:19:38, the third fastest crossing time ever for a koa canoe. The glass boats had dominated the Molokai race so heavily it was very unusual for a koa canoe to do so well.

The *Kaoloa* has undergone the on-going development process of a koa canoe. Over the next two decades during paddling off-season, OCC masters craftsman Domie Gose straightened the *Kaoloa*, reduced its weight to 400.5 pounds by replacing portions of the hull with lighter wood, deepened the hope wa'a so it would turn more easily, and widened it by two inches. He also replaced the seats with lighter veneer laminated seats.

One of the first procedures was to straighten the canoe. "We put a string down the middle of the canoe and measured the distance to the gunnel on each side. Where it was smaller we opened it up until it was straight on both sides."

He also identified heavy wood and replaced it with lighter wood. He shaved wood from the entire hull. "We saved the sawdust and put it on the scale and then replaced it with a lighter wood until the canoe weight was reduced to 400.5 pounds."

Another year, he widened the canoe by two inches. The orig-

inal waterline was 38 feet. After he widened it, the water line was 36 feet. This resulted in faster turning.

Following that, he widened it again and put more curve in the stern.

In 2006, the *Kaoloa* was completely renovated to remove all non-wood materials and bring it into compliance with the requirements of the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association for the state championship regatta. Domie replaced the *Kaoloa*'s mano and gunnel and widened the "bow arc". The work was done in the OCC shop and took seven months to complete.

Domie also designed a grooved wooden rail on the gunnels so that the canvas cover can easily slide on and off during distance races. The wooden rail has also been installed on the *Kakina* and *Leilani*. This is significant because now the canoe is completely made of koa wood. Several other paddling clubs have copied his inventive design.

As the *Kaoloa* continues its on-going development, Domie will be asked again to ply his skill on her in the near future.

Next Month: Part III: The Ka Moi and the Stephanie.

Challenging Conditions and Large Turnout Highlight the OCC Invitational Swim

By Stefan Reinke

The 2013 edition of Annual OCC Invitational swim featured the largest field in recent memory. The event was a virtual sell out weeks before the race. Large surf conditions the week before the race seemed ominous, but the waves died down by race morning and the conditions for this year's event appeared (from the beach) to be favorable.

However, during registration the swimmers noticed that the race course was changing. The swimmers were a buzz as the turn buoys shifted from Diamond Head towards Ewa. The swimmers learned shortly into the pre-race, meeting that the current running towards Diamond Head was so strong that the course had to be changed.

As with all ocean events, safety is the prime consideration. Despite the course change, the swimmers found the race to be a fair test of swimming skills-speed, navigation and tactics all came into play.

Unlike past years, all participants started in a single wave. The race was lead out by Sam Sutherland a 16-year-old swimmer/water polo player. He took an early lead and was able to hold off a strong charging Lectie Altman, the second overall finisher and first female. The first male/female OCC finishers were Kekoa Viera, 15, and Leia Deer, 13.

For most the biggest challenge was turning on the first buoy on the Diamond Head side. The current was so strong

that many were pushed backward despite swimming their hardest. Lifeguards on jet skis brought a number of swimmers to shore after they tired themselves out attempting to round the buoy.

"No matter how hard I worked, the current kept dragging me backwards," reported Don Eovino. Ward Saunders said it took him so long to make the turn that he watched the fish grow a couple of inches in length.

Arnold Lum said there are currents and then there are currents. This year's current ranked in the latter category. "I've never struggled so much to get around a turn," he said.

Of special note was the swim of Diane Stowell. She completed the course with her son Dean in slightly over an hour. Diane has been a fixture in Hawaii's swimming community. Her role in the OCC Swim Committee cannot be overstated.

As with almost any event held at the Club, the real highlight of the day was the Sunday Brunch. The post-race air was filled with a sense of accomplishment and camaraderie. It was plain to the Swim Committee volunteers that the race was a success.

OCC swim committee members helping out included Gerry Debenedetti (and her daughter Cassie), Rachel Ross, Kathryn Nichols, Maggie Parks, Arnold Lum, Kathleen Quinn, Blake Johnson, and Hina Torres.

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Outrigger Invitational Swim

May 26, 2013

1.1 miles

Overall	Name	Time	Place
1.	Sam Sutherland	24:47.4	1st, M16-19
2.	Lectie Altman	24:57.8	1st, W 25-29
3.	Ben Williams	25:04.4	1st, M25-29
4.	Mykah Fujiwara	25:51.5	2nd, W16-19
5.	Kekoa Viera*	25:51.8	1st, BU15
6.	Lia Foster	25:52.5	1st, GU15
7.	Ryan Leong	26:00.8	1st, M40-44
8.	Miki David	26:05.4	1st, W40-44
9.	Victoria West	26:14.0	1st, W30-34
10.	Brian King	28:38.6	1st, M30-34
11.	Jake Gaughan*	29:05.3	2nd, M15-19
18.	Leia Deer*	30:19.9	2nd, GU15
20.	Lilly Belle Deer*	30:25.5	1st, W16-19
24.	Ward Saunders*	30:53.8	3rd, M55-59
26.	Katherine Nichols*	31:45.4	1st, W45-49
28.	Laurie Foster*	33:05.3	1st, W55-59
33.	Wilder Worrall*	34:35.7	4th, BU15
35.	Uli Klinke*	34:41.5	1st, M65-69
36.	Jeff Harris*	34:43.9	5th, M55-59
40.	Victoria Gacutan*	35:05.2	4th, GU15
41.	Maggie Parks*	34:26.8	1st, W35-39
44.	Diane Corn*	36:06.3	1st, W50-54
49.	Mary Quinn*	37:29.6	3rd, W55-59
50.	Candes Gentry*	37:39.5	2nd, W35-39
56.	Corin Gentry-Balding*	38:51.7	3rd, W35-39
59.	Chris Worrall*	39:21.3	4th, M50-54
61.	Anne Perry*	39:26.9	4th, W55-59
65.	Aaron Wallen*	40:07.0	7th, M40-44
67.	Peter Biggs*	40:32.7	5th, M60-64
71.	Eric Crispin*	43:14.7	7th, M50-54
76.	Brad Coates*	44:12.0	6th, M60-64
86.	Brooke Perry*	49:28.9	3rd, W25-29
88.	Laura Miller*	50:40.8	5th, W50-54
96.	Jeff Dinsmore*	52:02.6	7th, M55-59
104.	Kevin Greenwell*	58:21.8	11th, M40-44
105.	Victor Hemmy Jr.*	59:12.4	2nd, M65-69
110.	Richard Wheeler*	1:03:03.8	4th, M45-49
112.	Arnold Lum*	1:04:32.6	3rd, M65-69
117.	Dean Stowell*	1:06:21.1	5th, M45-49
118.	Diane Stowell*	1:06:21.5	2nd, W70+
123.	Glenn Perry*	1:12:12.9	5th, M65-69

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Old-Timers' Hana Hou August 26

By Barbara Del Piano

It started out as a one-time affair in 1999, but everyone had so much fun it kept on going by popular demand. Then last August, it was felt that it was time to call it quits. No way! Nobody wanted to see it end!

As a result, the Board of Directors has given approval to the Historical Committee to sponsor the event and Mahealani Riley has offered to take over the reins. (Previously, it was a committee of members and past members who got together to put it on, with the cooperation of the Club.) This year will mark the 15th year that the party has been held.

The Old-timers' Hana Hou will take place on Monday, August 26, from 5-9 p.m. on the Koa Lanai. The cost is \$25 including tax and tip, and the traditional *ono* buffet will be provided; the Teves Trio will be there to provide great music and another group of Hawaiian musicians, Brant Chillingworth and Max Solmssen, will be on hand to add to the superb entertainment. So put it on your calendar now, as it's an event you won't want to miss.

And start digging through your closet to find your old lauhala hat and feather lei, and be sure to wear a vintage muumuu or aloha shirt to add to the ambiance. Let's really get in the spirit!

You don't have to be an "Old-timer" to enjoy a great evening. The entertainment alone is worth the price of the superb buffet dinner. So tell your friends and hele on down to the Club on August 26 for an evening of good *kaukau*, *kani ka pila*, and talk story

The idea for the Old-timer's originated with the late Bill Barnhart and Rita Fuller Kauhane, Bill's wife Joy, and Lorraine "Brownie" Williams, as they munched over Sunday brunch at the Club. The idea was to bring long-time present and former members together for an evening of nostalgia. That first party surpassed their wildest expectations and thus an annual event was born.

People have come from as far away as Tahiti to attend, as well as various parts of the Mainland; the Neighbor Islands have always been well represented. Non-members are able to sign up without a sponsor and scrip is sold for beverages.

The result has been similar to a high-school reunion where past friendships are renewed, old times are reminisced about, and guests, accompanied by the Teves Trio, provide entertainment with songs, hula, and playing musical instruments. Sign up today at the Front Desk, or call in your reservation. Non-members will be sent a flyer.

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At the Club...



Surfer of the Year Awards Night

The 4th Annual John McMillen Junior Surfer of the Year Awards night is Monday, **August 12** featuring great food, fellowship, a surf movie and more. Contact the Front Desk for more information.



Hapa Folk

The musical group and Club favorite *Hapa Folk* returns to the *Hau Terrace* for their 2nd of 3 summer concerts at the Club.

Saturday, July 27th at 6:00 PM

Old Timers' Hana Hou

The Old Timers' Hana Hou will take place on Monday, August 26 from 5 – 9 PM on the *Koa Lanai*. The cost is \$25 including tax and tip and the traditional "ono" buffet will be provided. The *Texas Trio* will provide great music along with Brent Chillingworth and Max Solmssen adding to the entertainment. It's an event you won't want to miss. Sign up at the Front Desk in person or by phone at 808.923.1585



OCC Luau

Mark your calendars for the annual OCC Luau on **Saturday, October 5th**.

Lots of great food, music, and fun! Watch for more information in upcoming issues of the *Outrigger* and the weekly *E-news*.



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6 – 7:30 AM Paddlers' Breakfast, *Hau Terrace*

7:15 AM Macfarlane Pop Rally, *Ka Moa Boathouse*

8 AM Macfarlane T-Shirt Sale in *Island of Oahu's*

8:30 AM Macfarlane Regatta at *Waikiki Beach*. Join us at the OCC Tent for a day of outrigger canoe racing!

5 p.m. Club Party

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Admission Tickets – \$5 each in advance; \$10 each on July 4.

8 p.m. Fireworks Show from *Waikiki*

11 p.m. Club Closes

After Race Party...

Oaklah the Moo headlines the July 4th after race party at the Club along with a special guest band. Advance tickets are \$5 each at the OCC Front Desk and \$10 per person on July 4th.

Ticket quantities are limited depending on Membership category. Contact the Front Desk for details.


Please note that parking in the OCC parking structure is restricted to OCC members with a valid parking decal only.

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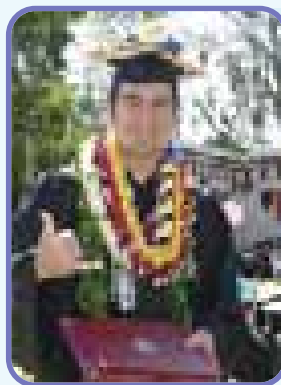
Lauren Minkel, who attends Long Beach State, and her team won the Sand Volleyball National Championship against Pepperdine in May. In the semi-finals with the team match tied at 2-2, it was Lauren and her teammate Jocelyn Neely who won 15-13 to put Long Beach State into the national championship against Pepperdine.

When it came time for her match against Pepperdine, it was tied and the winner would decide the championship. They won the first set, but lost the second. Their entire careers came down to one final set, to be played to 15 points. "Honestly, I was so focused that I didn't realize we were up until I glanced at the table and saw it was 13-10," said Minkel. Two points later, the 49ers were national champions.

"We both came back for a fifth year for this moment," said Minkel. "It's the biggest thing we've ever done. It's absolutely amazing."

Congratulations Lauren.

Contributions to this column are welcome. Please submit items to the Editor at the Front Desk or by email to occ-mag@aol.com. Items received by July 25 will appear in the September magazine. Items received after July 25 will appear in October. Be sure to include your name and phone number in case additional information is needed.



Zachary Guss graduated from the University of Redlands with a BS in Asian Studies

Golfers Enjoy Waialae Course

By Uli Frowein

The May outing of the OCC golfers took place at the Waialae Country Club. A record turnout of forty golfers enjoyed a great course and perfect Kona wind conditions. A big mahalo goes to all the WCC members who sponsored this wonderful event.

The competition was intense and at the end Ryan Wells and Judy Jordan prevailed with the lowest gross scores for men and women respectively. For the lowest net scores, Phil Sevier placed first followed by EJ McNaughton and Uli Frowein.

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Paddleboard Committee Brings Back Summer Surf Race

By Kalani Schraeder



Christian and Todd Bradley



Mitch Degues and Mike Cote



Kalani Schraeder starts the race with a tribute to Cline Mann.



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 groom 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.

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
2. Pono Fujitani and Ke'ea Lum
3. Elsa Kronen and Cable Kronen

Same Last Name

1. Christian and Todd Bradley
2. Peter and Trey Balding
3. Peter and Peter Jr Cross
4. Robbie and Chuck Kelley
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
3. Peter and Peter Jr Cross
4. Robby Solmssen and Andrew Reenders

Total Combined Ages Over 75

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

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Employee of the Month

Agnes Kawaguchi

By Stephen Riede

Agnes Kawaguchi has been a member of Outrigger Canoe Club's culinary team since 1971. During her more than four decades in the OCC kitchen, she has always been regarded as a model employee and her work ethic and professionalism continue to exceed our expectations.

She has demonstrated skill levels far and above the norm and always takes pride in her work.

At an age when most people have been retired for years, Agnes shows no sign of slowing down. It is a pleasure having Agnes as part our family and we congratulate her on this well-deserved honor.

ON THE COVER: Junior 'Riggers gathered at Keehi Lagoon to kick off the OHCR regatta season. Story and more pictures on pages 2-5. Photo by Mike Lum.

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Rachel Daniel

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Raymond Justice
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Seraphina Eames
Jessica Kaawa
Carolyn McGee
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BOARD BRIEFS

Board Briefs is taken from the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting on May 30, 2013.

Membership Count: The Membership Count was 4,758 as of April 30, 2013.

Athletic Member Sponsorship: Concern was expressed that some Special Athletic Members were not being sponsored by members that fulfilled the requirements for sponsorship, specifically the length of time the sponsor has known the applicant. After discussion, the Board expects that all SAM candidates be sponsored by eligible members who have known them for two years as was originally stated when creating the SAM program.

House Report: The Board approved reciprocity with The Royal Scots Club in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Financial Report: For April, there was net income of \$47,657. Year to date there is a net income of \$30,080. Year to date \$243,500 in initiation fees have been collected and deposited in the Operating Fund. Year to date the Building Fund has net income of \$390,975. Income from Non-member use of the Club was 15.6%.

Capital Spending: The *Leilani* did not pass the water line requirements. More work is needed to correct and recertify. . . Spalling project postponed until after the canoes are finished. Entrance and Exit projects are done. . . Still waiting for final quotes on the elevator and glass door projects. Other projects underway on the physical plant. . . Wiring in front is being replaced due to LED lighting project continuing. Garage and offices done. Locker rooms are next. . . Grease trap problems continue. Putting in a bio product to breakdown grease. . . Sound system is completed. Individual controls in all banquet rooms. Better speakers and sound with more versatility. . . Kitchen equipment ordered for expansion of cooking lines. Estimating two months before delivery. . . Hau Terrace bus station project making progress. Drawings are done.

Family Tables: It was suggested that family tables be set up in the sand during peak hours for the Hau Terrace. Management will explore increasing staff to accommodate increasing tables in the sand during peak hours. Currently, HT management is using a waiting list when the HT is full which is helping availability.

Entertainment Report: Entertainment Committee is planning a Bingo night on August 19, the luau on October 5, and a November 30 O2 party.

Kalaniana'ole Property: After interviewing several brokers, the K property and LRP committees unanimously recommended Choi International to handle the sale of the property. After detailed discussion, the Board approved the recommendation.

Membership Survey: The draft of the membership survey was distributed and reviewed by the Board.

Finance Report: Insurance quotes for the next year were presented to the committee and they are substantially unchanged.

Backward Glances

By Barbara Del Piano

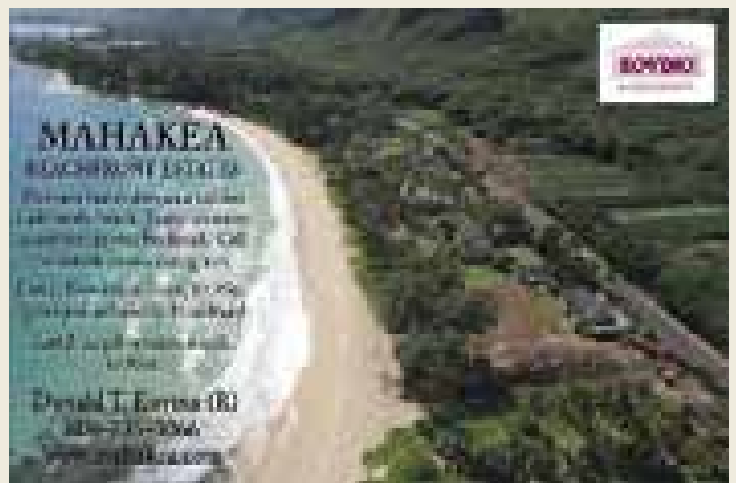
64 Years Ago, 1949

Wilford D. Godbold, President

A canoe race from Molokai to Oahu had been a dream of Outrigger member and sportsman, A. E. "Toots" Minvielle Jr. as far back as 1939. The idea met with little support as crossing the channel was considered far too dangerous and the distance too great. Toots was persistent, and in 1949 vigorously promoted the race. A special meeting was held at the Outrigger to discuss a Molokai to Oahu race, attended by a large group of Outrigger members, representatives of other canoe clubs, the University of Hawaii, Hawaii Visitors Bureau, Trans Pacific Yacht Committee and others.

When Outrigger Board members met to discuss the subject, it was resoundingly turned down. The Board issued a policy stating "the Club will not enter such a race nor permit use of Club canoes." As a further precaution, the Board restricted Club canoes to the area between Honolulu Harbor and Diamond Head Lighthouse. The race was temporarily abandoned.

The first Molokai to Oahu race was held in 1952. Two years later, the Club relented and entered the race for the first time.



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