

STACKHOUSE OVERPOWERS ALL IN OCC BIATHALON

Photos by Nora Meijide & Marilyn Kali

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The 5th Annual Outrigger Biathlon on June 22, 2002, was a resounding success. There were 112 biathletes and 21 relay teams. Dave Stackhouse scored a come-from-behind victory after entering the water in fourth place.

The run was a flat fast 3.1 mile course around the park on the sidewalk. The weather was a cool, sunny, perfectly beautiful Hawaiian summer day accented by the shower tree's in full morning bloom. The run transitions into an invigorating rough water 800 meter swim in front of the Outrigger beach and finishes on the Colony Surf Beach. The water is always unpredictable for this event, from rough surf, high tides, a jelly fish invasion last year, to a hidden current this year at low tide threatening unwary swimmers.

Dave's strategy was to hug the right side of the reef going out. The current became swiftest at the turn buoy, forcing everybody sideways, but Dave snuggled against the buoy. By now Dave had caught the lead swimmer. Stroking back to the beach Stackhouse was able to increase his lead by an additional two minutes.

Dodging swimmers and flailing arms, and looking up to avoid head-on collisions, Dave came out the water ahead of everyone with an astonished look on his face as he took first place overall with a time of 31:38.

Other age group competitors from the Club fared well including the intrepid Jim Stahl, who turns out each year for the event, taking a third place in his age group. Shawn Kiyabu took fifth place overall. Arnold Lum took first place in his age group. In the next age

category, Outrigger members swept all the awards taking first, second, and third with Peter Caldwell, Frederick Giles, and Jim Stahl respectively.

Candes Gentry took fourth place. Karen Sundstrom finished in second place in her age group, Laurie Sloan took a first place and Barbie Dial-Crandlemire came in third. Jan Newhart took first place in her category.

In the Relay Division, husband and wife team Uli and Joanne Klinke proved unbeatable again by winning the mixed division by a landslide over all other relay divisions.

Gerry DeBenedetti and partner Vern Hinkley took third place in their division.

Volunteers are required to make it happen-too numerous to mention all but those worthy of additional praise are: Jon Hunter and his wife Kim and family who coordinated the race applications, Terri Needels who created and served as keiki race director, Candes Meijide who offered assistance with packet pickup and late-race registrations, and wherever help was needed, Hiroko Eovino who was cutting fruit, muffins, bananas, bagels, handing out t-shirts, marking sweaty arms and thighs and handing out water to thirsty runners from 2-7 p.m. Friday and 4-10 a.m. Saturday morning.

Special thanks to the Club management: John Rader, Don Figueira and Liz Ventura, and Don Isaacs who coordinated paddle boarders who marshaled the swim course and safely escorted three fatigued swimmers who couldn't conquer the current. Mahalo to Nora Meijide and Marilyn Kali who took fantastic photos.



Matt Kresser



Arnold Lum



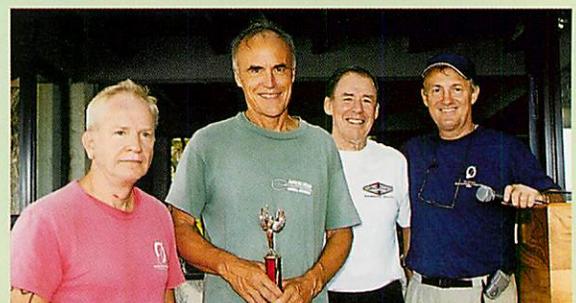
David Stackhouse and Anthony Cambra finished one-two.



Candes Gentry, Jan Newhart, Don Eovino



Uli and Joanne Klinke, Gerry DeBenedetti and Vern Hinkley



Tom Giles, Peter Caldwell, Jim Stahl and Don Eovino

5th Annual Outrigger Canoe Club Biathlon Results

5K Run, 800-meter Swim June 22, 2002 Top Finishers

Men Open

Place	Name	Time
1.	David Stackhouse*	:31:38
2.	Anthony Cambra	:33:16
3.	Paul Bowman	:34:17

Women Open

1.	Ingrid Rolles	:35:19
2.	Carrie Hermstad	:37:36
3.	Elizabeth O'Brien	:38:53

Men Open Team

1.	William Gardner/Rick Kooke	:33:29
2.	Stephen Chun/Phillip Ho	:34:47
3.	Brett Tanabe/Ryan Yamauchi	:34:50

Women Open Team

Place	Name	Time
1.	Nona Steward/Elizabeth Nie	:39:37
2.	Michelle Nalega/Barbara Mul	:41:54
3.	Anne/Kristen Ho	:46:56

Mixed Team

1.	Kate Bishop/Mike Goodson	:36:37
2.	Tristin Olson/Scott Ro	:36:44
3.	Curtis King/Lily Vasconcel	:41:54

Mixed Masters Team

1.	Uli/Joanne Klinke*	:36:59
2.	Harry/Robin Richardson	:51:36
3.	Gerry DeBenedetti*/ Vern Hinkley*	:56:37

Outrigger Finishers

Thom Harrer*, 4th, M40-44, :37:48
Matt Kresser*, 2nd, M35-39, :39:10
Arnold Lum*, 1st, M55-59, :43:45
Candes Gentry*, 4th, W25-29, :44:16
Peter Caldwell*, 1st, M60-64, :46:26
Laurie Sloan*, 1st, W50-54, :48:03
Fred Giles*, 2nd, M60-64, :49:00
Jim Stahl*, 3rd, M60-64, :49:46
Barbie Crandlemire*, 3rd, W55-59, :55:01
Jan Newhart*, 1st, W70-74, 1:07:15

* OCC members

