Ellgren and Bradley Win OCC Fishing Tournament

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Christian and Brendan Bradley show off their winning catches.



Erick Ellgren shows off his winning Ono.

The weather was epic, the fishing was slow on November 18 for the annual OCC Fishing Tournament.

In the motor boat category, there were 11 participants, but it came down to a competition between four boats, Erick Ellgren took first place with a 42 inch Ono, and Greg Moss took second place with an 18 inch Papio.

The human powered category was also between four. Christian Bradley took first place with a 4.1 pound Awa, and Brendan Bradley took second place with a 3.21 pound Papio. We had a contestant paddle from Makai Pier to the Outrigger using a small sail.

We really think we had a great discovery this year. The OCC is the perfect spot to create an awesome human powered tourney including OC 1, Kayak, SUP and Canoe. We really see the growth will be in this category. We also look to include live interviews and action from the water next year.

The Committee was able to get more members to join and is already planning for 2018, which will most likely take place in the summer instead of the fall. Some of the thoughts to improve this event for next year include:

End the tourney at 1 p.m. and do prizes at 2 p.m.

Do a fish lunch (prepared by OCC), and guests are an additional cost. Make the lunch a box lunch so boat captains can clean their boat and be late, have a beer special for the Captains until 4 p.m.

Add more fish to the list of qualified fish, such as Awa and Aha.

See you next summer!

