



Outrigger Canoe Club

2018 Athletic Committee Annual Report

The 2018 OCC Athletic Committee consisted of thirteen (13) sports and fitness subcommittees. Each committee was led by a chair and committee activities supported by the committee members. On behalf of OCC, we extend a sincere “Mahalo” for their service during the year.

Subcommittee Chairs:

Beach & Water Safety – Todd Bradley/Dolan Eversole

Canoe Racing – Tom McTigue

Fishing & Boating – Brad Thiessen

Fitness Center – Jon Bryan

Golf – Jarriel “JT” Tuinei

OC-1 & Kayak – Michael Nakano

Paddleboard – Peter Balding, Jr

Running & Hiking – Katy Bourne

Sailing Canoe – Billy Philpotts/Bruce Black

Softball – Art Mallet

Surfing – Brendan Bradley

Swim – Ben Komer

Volleyball – Alan Lau

Board Coordinating Directors: Bret Chuckovich, Michelle Luxton

Club Captain/Athletic Chair: Dolan Eversole

Overview of the Athletic Committee:

The Athletic Committee is a Standing Committee provided for under the Club’s Bylaws. Its function is to have charge of all athletic sports and events. (Bylaws, 19) The Committee is responsible for the implementation of the purpose and overseeing the administration of the athletic programs. The Coordinating Directors of Athletics on the Board of Directors shall oversee the Athletic Committee. The Committee shall consist of the Club Captain, as the Chair, and the Chairs of all the Athletic Programs, as the members.

The athletic programs shall promote sports history, traditions, and skills as well as maintain competitive training programs for members in all ages.

Committee Philosophy:

- Maximize member participation
- Support competitive athletic programs
- Optimize allocation of resources

Athletic Committee Update:

Dolan served his 3rd and final year as Club Captain. It was announced in December that Brendan Bradley will be the Club Captain for 2019. Dolan will continue to serve as Co-Chair on the Beach & Water Safety Committee and help the Athletic Committee and Brendan define the current role of Club Captain. The goal is to create a Job Description, as the position has been evolving since implementing the new position of Athletic Director. After subcommittee discussions for plans for the year, it was discovered that committees cross over, and prompted discussion on collaboration with events and goals in athletics. Committees will continue to discuss how they can collaborate with athletics at OCC.

The Master Athletics Calendar located on the OCC website under the *Sports & Activities* tab. For 2019, Northstar will be creating an athletics module so the athletics calendar can be added to the main calendar on the tab on the front of the site. The athletic event registration is still located at: www.occathleticsevents.com.

The Athletic Committee and Entertainment Committee hosted the 1st Annual Athletic Banquet on January 26, 2019 to highlight the achievements of athletics in 2018. Our Winged O were honored in addition to recognizing participating athletes and support with a slideshow presentation of the sports that make up our Club's rich heritage. Current athletes and volunteers are a part of this legacy of excellence at Outrigger, it was exciting to have over 450 members join together to learn more about OCC history!

There were new awards and outstanding achievements recognized, along with already established perpetual trophies. The already established awards were the Dodge Parker Trophy (outstanding Jr volleyball players), the Bob Fischer Trophy (outstanding male & female Jr paddlers), the Waikiki Cup (outstanding Jr paddler crew), the John McMahon Junior Surfer of the Year, golf's Male & Female Club Champions, and golf's Ace of Aces. The new awards were "Volunteer of the Year," "Rising Star," "Legacy," "Junior," individual outstanding achievements recognized by the athletic subcommittees (if applicable), and Male & Female Athlete of the Year. The Athletic Committee was excited to announce Amy Woodward and Travis Grant as the first recipients of Athlete of the Year award for 2018, who will kick off the new perpetual trophy that will be created in 2019.

Athletic Subcommittees:

Beach & Water Safety:

The B&W Safety accomplished numerous safety and procedure projects in 2018, as well as oversaw risk management with the beach, equipment and facilities.

Motor Vessels:

The B&W Safety committee continues to support the new athletic subcommittee for escort boat management and policy, ***The OCC Escort Preventative Maintenance and Operational Plans***, with Greg Moss as the chair. This new subcommittee continues to serve as an equipment and training management committee in a support function to Beach Services. It coordinates directly with the Club

Captain and Athletic Director and functions to support the sustainable and efficient use of the OCC escort vessels, as well as create a protocol manual and calendar to assist the Beach Services to keep the boats running as we would our own personal vessels. Several vessel operational and maintenance procedure changes have been identified and these changes are being coordinated with Beach Services staff.

Moorings:

The board approved to install three new mooring pins for the two motorized vessels, as the current cable loops are 20 years old and not in the ideal position. Because of the King Tides in the spring and summer, the mooring pin project was postponed to the early spring of 2018.

Youth Paddling Program Risk Management Guidelines: This was created in 2017 and given to the Youth Outrigger Paddling coaches as guidelines for practices at OCC, to ensure the safety of the youth paddlers. New protocols were established for canoes practice usage at the Club that limit use of canoes during “Black Flag” days at OCC. These policies are based on beach ocean conditions and meant to limit use of OCC canoes when conditions are dangerous. The Committee will continue to monitor the day to day conditions and coordinate with the Athletic Director and Beach Service staff to notify the paddlers of advisories when ocean and weather conditions are high risk for using canoes at OCC beach. The Committee will also continue working on fine tuning the guidelines with the Watercraft to limit the exposure and stay in compliance with insurance coverage expectations.

King Tides: Throughout, 2018, the still water levels remained about three to six inches elevated water level ABOVE predicted tides. The regional anomaly had decreased close to normal levels as was predicted for the remainder of the year. Exceptionally high tides and co-incident moderate surf caused severe wave run-up and unprecedented beach erosion fronting the OCC.

Seawall: A seawall structural assessment was conducted by a local Engineering firm, Sea Engineering Inc. The structural assessment revealed the need for maintenance repairs that are being planned for this year (2019). The inclusion of several additional seawall projects has been included in the seawall maintenance plan as part of the repairs. These include:

1. Inclusion of the fabrication, field verification and installation of an aluminum wave deflector system for the Hau Terrace portion of the seawall.
2. Addition of embedded drainage system and concrete apron for the unprotected “Ewa” portion of the backshore area behind the seawall and fronting the Hau Terrace.
3. Removal of an encroachment along the Ewa seawall fronting the beach desk.

Beach Desk, Stairs & Ewa Access: B&WS helped facilitate a new set of wider stairs be built to replace the current wood steps. The new stairs are twice as wide and designed to accommodate the expected beach level fluctuations from winter to summer and to allow access for larger personal watercraft and 4-person canoes. The size, slope and configuration are well-suited for the use. The Committee also helped facilitate the beach desk be relocated landward approximately 5 feet to allow access through this critical corridor, and new steps to expand the access area and allow larger craft. Under joint consultation with B&G, House, B&WS, and Paddling agreed to the relocation and beach access plan.

2019 B&W Safety Highlights:

1. *Facilitate the initiation of the seawall maintenance and wave deflector project.*

2. Main beach stairs access improvement and stair extension.
3. *Complete canoe surfing certification protocols to implement in 2019*
4. Risk management and safety protocol for new OCC craft membership and youth paddling programs.

Ongoing projects:

1. Beach maintenance plan for Colony groin stem to keep sand from going to Kaimana.
2. *Monitoring tide levels for the summer months.*
3. *Development of long-term beach restoration plans and vision.*
4. Review Escort boat certification list and ADD/SUBTRACT Drivers and conduct OCC Escort (ORM) Ocean Risk Management courses as needed for new drivers that qualify.

Canoe Racing:

2018 was an exciting year for Canoe Racing. We had a new open women's coach in Pat Dolan, the Open Men continued their success, Ka Lahui Kai (KLK) joined Outrigger to become OKLK (-Outrigger Ka Lahui Kai), our Junior Girls program blossomed, our novice program continued its dominance thanks to Liz Perry's masterful leadership, and the Masters program continues to be a well-oiled machine. The Outrigger flag (shiny and new) waved proudly and tent cheered loudly all year long.

Registration/OHCRA:

Always an enormous undertaking, registration requires a herculean effort to gather and organize all of the paperwork to simply have the paddlers eligible to participate in the regatta season. Siana Hunt, Christen Kam, Paula Crabb, and Shannon Pelkey took on a team approach to this challenge in 2018, and in addition to even more volunteers who helped each week. The team was able to leverage technology to get everything online to streamline the process and be better set for returning paddlers in future years. Alice Lunt was our OHCRA rep again this year and she never ceases to amaze with her ability to push the boundaries of what a single person can do. She is the program's biggest cheerleader and a primary source of information and advice as we work to improve Canoe Racing for the membership year over year.

Equipment:

Our equipment is always in a league of its own. Besides our endless thanks to Domi for our incredible Koas, we need to acknowledge Billy Philpotts for being the guardian to our beautiful boats, making sure they are in their best condition giving us a true advantage in the water. Leighton Miyachi also deserves special recognition for all the work and time he dedicates to the ensuring that everything is ready week after week for each regatta and to the overall condition of our equipment. Both jobs are behind the scenes and rarely get the attention they deserve, we truly would be lost without their efforts.

Coaching:

Many thanks to our coaches for the 2018 paddling season. The dedication, professionalism and patience has paid off with the development of the paddling program and shows in the results. Thank you goes out to our lead coaches: Jim Beaton (Head Men), Pat Dolan (Head Women), Liz Perry (Head Novice), Andrew Glatzel, Jennifer Raams, Anthony Hunt, and David Buck (Head Girls), and all the numerous age division coaches that contribute to the program. The OKLK boy's program joined the

ranks, with Alan Pflueger as the Head coach. The OCC paddling program is a year-round effort with paddling programs that span the OC-1, regatta and long-distance seasons. Pat Dolan and the Open Women trained hard and maintained their excellence from 2017. As mentioned earlier, the dedication of the paddlers is a testament to the program they have built. The Open Men had Jim Beaton... There was also a noticeable shift in participation for all the logistical and extracurricular work that historically fell on a few shoulders. Liz Perry's Novice program continue to be the heart and soul of paddling. Another year with a record number of participants and record holding result of both Novice B Men and Women taking home the state titles! Liz also maintained an almost all Novice women's crew through Na Wahine O Ke Kai. Those positive experiences are what create the next crop of dedicated paddlers for the years to come. Finally, the Outrigger Canoe Club is incredibly fortunate to have a Master's Program that is so full of knowledge and experience that they are able to coach themselves with only minimal logistical support from the committee. Marc Haine, Gunner Schull, Anne Perry, Katy Bourne, Bill Johnson, and John Finney, along with a few others worked tirelessly for their crews and for the program as a whole.

Regatta:

2018 was a successful year for regatta. The regatta success was once again driven by a dominant junior program. The open division races continued to excel, namely the open women who consistently took Golds throughout the summer. The Masters also continued their dominance. MacFarlane was incredibly exciting as we had a full sweep, which hasn't happened for 27 years! We won all four titles: Overall, Senior Men & Women, and Junior boys. This was the first year that not all the Senior Men winners could drink champagne from the bowl, because they were under 21. We took home 18 gold medals, 5 silver medals, and 8 bronze medals. Andrea Ray did an outstanding job, as always, something that can't be emphasized enough. The State Championships were a huge success! OCC had the second most Gold medals with 8, our State Champions included: Men and Women Novice B, Boys 15 and 16, Womens' Freshman and Senior, and Womens' 50s and 60s. We had 5 second place crews (Boys 13, Women Nov A, Women Soph., Men Soph., and Men's Senior). We got third overall, a major accomplishment that we are hoping we will build off of in 2019. Regatta is the lifeblood of the club during the summer with the massive participation of club members of all ages. When we have a good year, the buzz is palpable.

World Sprints (Tahiti) and Sydney Harbour Challenge:

We sent our top women to Tahiti to compete in the World Sprints where they finished 3rd in the 1500m race. They also travelled to Sydney and won the 2018 Sydney Harbour Challenge. Our Open Women's program has continued to be incredible ambassadors for the club worldwide. They truly represent the best of what our club has to offer, and we could not be prouder.

Distance:

It was an exciting year for the Club in distance. Although weather did not cooperate, a hurricane scares forcing the cancelation of our own Dad Center race. The distance season kicked off with the Duke Race, with Outrigger finishing first overall and three in the top ten including our winning Junior Crew. Our top women's crew battled to the wire in the E Lau Hoe Race finishing in second place by only 7 seconds. Our second crew won the Koa division and finished in the top 10 as well. Our Junior girls got their first taste of a distance race, something they would build off of for the main event. The conditions were great for the Henry Ayau Race. The club's first crew finished 5th overall and our second crew won the Koa division. The Junior Boys continued their dominance winning first and second in their division. For the main events; the women raced their hearts out finishing second by 1 minute. The almost all

novice crew finished just ahead of our Koa division champion crew, giving OCC three crews in the top 15. Our Junior Girls finished in third place, which was incredible for their first crossing, a major building block for 2019. The Molokai Hoe was equally as riveting with OCC all over the podium. The OKLK first crew finished third overall, the OKLK top Junior crew finished 9th overall (winning their division), the open men's first crew finished 14th overall giving OCC three crews in the Top 15. OCC won the Koa division, bringing home the cash prize. The Juniors finished 1st, 2nd, and 3rd sweeping the podium. We were incredibly well represented with, a record, 8 crews entered in the race.

- a. Open women placed 2nd overall
- b. Open women placed 1st in the Koa Division
- c. OKLK placed 3rd overall
- d. OKLK placed 1st (9th overall), 2nd, and 3rd in the Junior division
- e. Open men placed 1st in the Koa Division
- f. OCC had 8 crews in the Molokai Hoe

Athletic Banquet:

The Canoe Racing Committee recognized 2018 achievements at the Athletic Banquet in January. Outstanding achievement was acknowledged with awards, and Tom thanked the coaches and volunteers for their time and dedication to a great season. The Bob Fischer Memorial Trophy for outstanding junior paddler, boy and girl, was awarded to Aukina Hunt and Amelia ("Mimi") Moody. The Waikiki Cup for outstanding junior crew was awarded to the boys 16/18s (Keahi Agnieray, Keanu Bernadino, Harrison Deisroth, Gabe El Hajji, Ryland Hart, Aukina Hunt, Zachary Ingram, Riley Kawanakoa, James Morris). The new "Rising Star" award for a Novice male and female was awarded to the Men's Novice B Crew and the Women's Novice B Crew, they made history for OCC, both bringing home state titles. Lastly, Tiare Richert-Finney was awarded the "Volunteer of the Year" award for going above and beyond for the paddling program.

Summary:

It is safe to say that Outrigger continued its momentum and had a banner year in 2018. We will only continue to push the program forward with a significant increase in the budget for 2019 that will be used to raise the level of paddling club wide. We have a lot of work to do and we must give a special thanks to Tom McTigue, who is stepping down as Canoe Racing Chairman this year. He has given so much to our club and done whatever was needed year after year to ensure we had a paddling program the club could be proud of. Mahalo to everyone who had a hand in making our Club's namesake sport something we can be proud of.

Fishing and Boating:

The Fishing & Boating committee had the 8th annual OCC fishing tournament on October 27th. The tournament went well, with four winning anglers to go on the Perpetual trophy. There are two categories, the motor assisted and human powered; and first and second place is awarded in each category. The motor assist first place was Greg Moss with a 31" Mahi Mahi, second place was Doug Thiessen with a 24" Mahi Mahi. The human powered first place winner was Ian Barrett with a 1.2 lb Papio, and Poet Gentry-Shropshire won second place with a 7 oz Papio. At the Athletic Banquet, the committee awarded the "Menehune" junior award to Poet Gentry-Shropshire, for achievement in an OCC event as one of the youngest participants in athletics at OCC.

We accomplished a lot this year including some rule changes and an awesome online registration sign up. The new format allows us to get late sign ups and create a holding period for weather. The number of anglers was not limited, but only one prize per boat. Next year the tournament will start its weather holding period in late October/early November. Lastly, in Early 2019 we will hold an afternoon meeting on current State of Hawaii Maritime Laws and Fishing laws. OCC Member Attorney Douglas Moore will give the presentation to interested members and Captains.

Fitness Center:

A lot was added to the fitness center in 2018 to improve the choice of exercise options for our members. A new treadmill was added with two more stationary bikes expected to arrive in February. TV monitors on the cardio machines have finally been converted to analog cable so that remote control units are no longer required to change channels. Two flat screen large TV monitors have been added so that members can watch live sports in the gym while working out. We also added a higher-grade sound system with Bluetooth capabilities. The fitness center continues to grow in popularity and usage. We will continue to upgrade and keep it best of class for our members to enjoy and use.

Golf:

2018 was another successful year for our golf group because we increased our member participation for another consecutive year. Our goal each year is just to grow and encourage other members to participate. We are a social group that just banks on good fellowship, networking and beautiful days on a golf course as selling points to come out once a month to play as a group. Our monthly winners earn points towards the year end goal of qualifying for the Ace of Aces and Mens/Womens Club Champions. We had repeat winners for the Mens/Womens Club Champs, in JT & SE, both successfully defending their titles by the narrowest of margins. Ace of Aces went to JT as well, a first for him. Unfortunately, we did have one low point of the year for us, we lost the Aikane Cup to Pacific Club. We will be hosting this year's challenge against them, so it will be our terms and hopefully we can bring the Cup back to OCC. We look forward to another fun year and increased participation of members in 2019!

OC-1 & Kayak:

The OC1 & Kayak Committee's goals were to encourage Member & OCC Program solo-craft racing, manage more than 200 solo-craft storage lockers, promote KIRA and PAA seasons, and plan an OC1/Kayak OCC sponsored solo craft race. Although the race did not happen in 2018, it is in discussion to take place in 2019.

Thirteen members applied and qualified for Molokai subsidies. Members of the OC1/kayak athletic committee have reviewed the request for reimbursement from OCC members participating in OC1/kayak solo races for the 2017/2018 solo season and received a subsidy for participating in four local races and at least one channel race. At the Athletic Banquet, Harrison Deisroth was recognized with the "OC1 Outstanding Achievement" award.

We are continuing to figure out the barcoding. We've determined that the scanner is not as user friendly on the back-end as initially thought. The project has turned to looking into the sticker options,

then determining how the scanner can best work. We hope to have the barcode system up and running before the end of 2019.

Paddleboard:

Paddleboarding is a sport that was created in the 40's and 50's as a way for surfers and lifeguards to maintain and improve their fitness levels in the water for rescues and greater proficiency. John Cline Mann continued to promote and provide opportunities in the sport of paddleboarding at the club. He successfully bridged his generation to the current one and we are the beneficiaries of his effort. The paddleboard committee holds two events, Scratchfest and The Cline Mann race. Both events were created by him and in 2018 both were well attended.

The events were on budget with the exception of a line item for Ocean Safety. Due to the rise of insurance costs for Ocean Safety and their business of escorting participants, Aloha Life Saving's fee has increased. After much discussion with Sam Clemens and Shannon Pelkey about the safety of the participants, it was agreed to hire two skis to help cover both the long and short course of the Cline Mann race. We felt it was in the Club's best interest and that of the participants, especially around Makapu'u to increase the number of jet skis. We intend to do this again for the 2019 race and have requested a higher amount for this line item.

The Cline Mann race had close to 80 participants. Of those people racing, less than 30 were in the standup category. It is the recommendation of the committee to make this event a paddleboard only event. There were many trophies left over due to no participants in many standup divisions. The recommendation includes doing more advertising for this event in the leading up to the July race.

The beach staff did a great job of providing support for the Cline Mann race. Without their help this event would not have been successful. The 2019 budget request includes a line item for the Beach Staff nourishment during the race with appropriate food and hydration while working to keep all participants safe. Shannon Pelkey did a fantastic job of helping to make sure everything ran smoothly for both events and the budget was maintained. The committee appreciates her effort.

The committee is looking forward to another good summer of paddleboarding at the club and thanks the board for allowing us to continue to promote this sport at the Outrigger.

Running & Hiking:

The Running & Hiking Committee coordinated monthly hikes for members to participate in as a group. The hikes were set up to provide a good experience for all levels, and the OCC van was used as transportation. The hikers enjoyed our Island's beauty, got a great workout, hung out with and met fabulous OCC friends. Monthly hikes were announced in the OCC email announcements and via flyers at the Club.

In January, they hiked Tantalus and went exploring into the hidden Maunalaha trail cave. In February they climbed along the Lanipo Trail above the beautiful Ka'u Crater. In March, they visited the Waahila Ridge Trail, a moderately difficult 5.2-mile roundtrip trail, that lightly trafficks out and back featuring beautiful wild flowers. The next month was a visit to Lulumahu Falls in April. Lulumahu Falls is 2.3 miles roundtrip, moderate difficulty, that took 1-2 hours out and back. This hike is tucked away in the back of

Nu'uanu Valley and is one of the most impressive and best-known secrets in the Pali area. The trail can be difficult to follow at times, but the hike through the bamboo forest and along the stream makes the trip to this 50-ft waterfall well worth the effort. In May, the hikers went to Kuliouou Ridge Trail, and in June they went around Koko crater on the Hanauma Bay trail. Koko crater was chosen because it is close-by so the paddlers could still get to the regatta in Kailua on time. Hikers met again in August to hike the Makiki valley trail on the Tantalus cliffs from top to bottom. They had a lot of mud, but it was well worth the beautiful surroundings. The September endeavor was the famous Hana relays from Kahalui to Hana with runners' legs from 2.5 to 6 miles. This run has great entertainment, food and costume competitions. The committee ended up not participating in the Hana relays this year. In October, the hike was to Kaena Point, they went through the west end cave, saw the bird sanctuary, swam, and shared treats together. The last hike of the year was in November in the Manana Trail located at the end of Komo Mai Drive in the Pacific Palisades area. There were two trails, the longer one (6 miles) up to a ridge, and the shorter one to Waimano pool (3 miles) to the waterfalls and pool. Hikers chose their path, both taking about 45-60 minutes each way.

At the Athletic Banquet, Rachel Bradley was recognized with an award for "Outstanding Achievement in Running." In 2018, she was the Na Wahine Triathlon winner, the Lanikai Triathlon winner, and had a time of 10:32 in the Kona Ironman World Championships.

Sailing Canoe:

The Board approved the Sailing Canoe Athletic Subcommittee to start in 2019, with a budget starting in 2020. They had their first meeting in November to begin discussing plans and members for the first year.

The Sailing Canoe program's mission is to perpetuate the traditional sport of canoe sailing through training, education and sailing activities. There is a rich history of sailing at the Outrigger dating back 50 plus years supported by members Bob Casey, Cline Mann, Mike & Tommy Holmes, Kimo Dowsett, Aka Hemmings and many more. The sport of canoe sailing requires a unique melding of mental and physical skills to understand, respect and harness the powers of nature. Today, HVS, Hawaiian Canoe Sailing Association and local canoe clubs continue to perpetuate canoe sailing with voyages, races and community activities. OCC's sailing program hopes to leverage the Club's seasoned sailors to provide interested members opportunities to sail within Hawaii's abundant and diverse sailing communities. Join the program and be trained to be a qualified crew member or captain. The committee will be posting dates for training classes and regatta sign-ups.

Softball:

The OCC Softball team's season begun with a bang! There were a solid group of returning players with a few additions (who clearly heard about how fun it was). The weather didn't cooperate this season, having 4 games rained out. While the team didn't win early on, the improvement from being mercy-ruled in the first match-up, to playing the full seven innings in the next games was promising. The team was made up of mostly water athletes, but everyone was picking up the nuances and rules of game very quickly. Our team manager, Dianne Ireland, noted that when the team hadn't notched a victory early on, they were successful at winning at least one inning per game.

The season finished with the team trending in the right direction. While they couldn't secure a victory by the season's end, they did see incredible improvement from the players. Ikaika Harbottle went from

effective decoy (his physical stature forced the outfield to play deep) to actual hitting threat. Natasha Haine can now be relied upon to field AND throw the ball on the same play, and her hitting has become consistent to boot! Although we never got that elusive full game “W”, by the second half of the season they were winning quite a few innings. The team’s positive attitude and underdog status made them a league favorite. They always had the most fun on the field and did a great job of representing the Club’s character of perseverance and teamwork in the face of (apparently) insurmountable odds. They are looking forward to taking our improvements into next season!

Surf:

The Surf Committee again focused on continuing their two main events, The OCC Surf Jam Contest, formerly known as the OCC Surf Contest, and the Surf Movie Night (“Surf Night”) that includes the unveiling of the Junior Surfer of the Year.

The 2nd Annual Surf Jam was on June 9th. This year the committee promoted the team events to do their best to involve as many people as possible. The t-shirts were very popular, and hats were brought back by popular demand. The event had to be pushed back one week due to a lack luster conditions and easing south swell, everyone who was able to make it down for the event was very pleased with the swell we had on hand. The event seemed to run even smoother than last year’s Surf Jam with the added organization and the help from Committee Members, as well as volunteers, with all 13 events running with great success. The most enjoyable and spectator friendly was, as always, the Canoe Surfing event. Water Safety plays a huge part in the entire event, but also in the canoe surfing event with larger waves, boats flipping, and equipment being washed away. We were fortunate to have two ski’s assisting with water safety. We hired a cameraman to shoot still photos and Drone footage that all looked amazing and was compiled into a slideshow and short movie that was shown at Surf Movie night.

The committee wrapped up its last event of the summer with the Surf Movie Night on July 24th. This annual summer event has been a Club tradition for over a decade and features a surf film screening, but also raffle prize giveaways, awarding of the John McMahan Junior Surfer of the Year award, and a buffet dinner. As guests checked in, the committee aired an in-depth oral history with Uncle Jimmy McMahan produced by the Historical Committee. Uncle Jimmy discussed the Club’s rich surfing history and how his father John McMahan was a leader in keeping surfing at the forefront of Club sports and activities for the keiki and elders. The Junior Surfer of the Year selection was Mahina Akaka, a previous recipient of the award. The committee took note of her participation in OCC events such as the Surf Jam and as a travelling competitive longboarder representing the Club proudly and exemplifying the respect that John McMahan perpetuated. The feature film and culminating portion of the evening this year was *Proximity*, by Taylor Steele the veteran surf filmmaker who rose to prominence in the nineties travelling and making films with the likes of Kelly Slater and Rob Machado to name a few. *Proximity* brings you on a journey that pairs surfing’s living legends with today’s most progressive young surfers. All eyes were glued to the screen with the frequent hoot and holler from the groms that was an exciting way to end the evening and get everyone stoked for the next swell.

Swim:

Todd Iacovelli stepped down as the Chair after running the committee for the previous 5 years, but continue to stay on as a member. The Committee was grateful for Todd’s service and thanked him for

a job very well done over his tenure. Ben Komer was nominated to Chair for 2018 and Todd worked with him closely so there is no gap in leadership. The Swim Committee hosted two races, the OCC Diane Stowell (OCCDS) Invitational, and the 101st annual Castle Swim.

The OCCDS Invitational race was held on Saturday, May 26. There was a larger number of participants than in past years due to changing the race date back to Memorial weekend. The swimmers enjoyed a lovely OCC buffet in the Hau Terrace while awards were given out. Sandie Easton came in 1st place for the women with a time of 32:12.4, and Steve Alnutt came in 1st place for the men with a time of 31:58.1.

The 101st annual Castle Swim was held on Sunday, November 25, the Sunday after Thanksgiving. Beautiful temperatures, sun, and little to no wind greeted the participants. Such a beautiful day must have been the reason for the larger than normal turn out of swimmers (28) that made the swim from Duke's in Waikiki, site of the Old Club, for the one-way swim back to the Outrigger Beach. The men's and women's champions are familiar with the top of the podium. Overall winner Ethan Bosworth came in at a red-hot time of 32:00 beating his 2016 winning time by :30 seconds. Women's winner Sandy Easton came in with a screaming time of 32:30. The usual suspects were racing and winning their respective age groups again. Dolan Eversole, Stefan Reinke, Uli Klinke, and Ward Saunders all took 1st in their respective age groups. Sue Steinmann won the 55-59 age group, and Laurie Foster won the 60-64 age group. Liloa Stowell was the youngest swimmer at 13 years old and managed to give the top five swimmers a run for their money, finishing in 6th place with a time of 37:02. And a super special shout out to two swimmers who swim in holy water, Blake Johnson for placing 1st in the men's 80-84 year-old division, and Ron Haworth for finishing 1st in the men's 75-79 year-old age group. These swimmers are an inspiration to us all and prove once again swimmers can do it longer than any other athlete.

At the Athletic Banquet in January, the Swim Committee recognized Stefan Reinke for his "Outstanding Achievement in Swimming" and Blake Johnson, who received the new "Legacy" award, for one of our most seasoned participants in OCC athletics.

Lastly, the committee created OCC red custom swim suits available for members to order. Members had the option to place orders for a women's one-piece, and/or men's jammers or briefs.

Volleyball:

2018 was a great year for Outrigger volleyball. The Boy's 18s team followed up their championship 2017 season with a great run which started at the Southern California qualifier in January where they qualified for the Open Division at the USA Junior National Championships. In July 2018, adjusting because a key player was unable to attend, the team placed 15th in the Open Division at the National championships in Phoenix. That is the toughest junior division in America and includes many players who will someday represent our country in the Olympics. The team has sent two players to top 5 college programs where they are competing this year.

On the beach, the Club supported three teams traveling to the AVP Next Tournament in Hermosa Beach. The teams of Noa Haine and Luke Biondi, Riley Haine and La'I Hirahara and Aidan Tune and Xander Pink represented the Club well in the National Championships of beach volleyball. They follow

in the footsteps of the numerous club members who are the elite players on the pro beach and international tours.

Because of the success of the indoor program, we are fielding 6 teams in 2019. This covers the range of ages from 10 through 18s. We will also support more competition in boys' beach this year and in the summer. Boys' volleyball is definitely alive and well at the Outrigger.

For the Dodge Parker Perpetual trophy, Jon Stanley, Jr. was recognized as the outstanding junior player (boys), and Cassidy Chun was recognized as the outstanding junior player (girls) for 2018.

On the men's side, Taylor Crabb, who learned to play volleyball on the Baby Court, won the New York City AVP tournament in June along with his partner Jake Gibb. Taylor is one of the top beach players in the world and plays on the professional tour along with a slew of Outrigger members. The Annual Daddy Haine Tournament was won by the team of Patrick O'Neil, Tui Tuileta, Nainoa Frank and Shea Suzumoto.

On July 30, 2018, the Volleyball Committee hosted a stew and rice dinner for the USA National Team which was training in Hawaii for the week. 5 members of the Outrigger were in Hawaii training with the team. Those members are Kawika Shoji, Erik Shoji, Micah Christenson, Micah Ma'a and Larry Tuileta. The dinner allowed members of the Club to dine with all of the National team members. The event culminated with a question and answer session. The Club can be proud of the members it has produced not only as great volleyball players but as high-quality individuals.

The girls sand beach program competed in the local AVP First event and took Gold in the 14's, 16's and 18's division. Cassidy Chun and Emi Erickson won the 14's, Alyssa Muraoka and Tayli Ikenaga won the 16's and Cecelia Fenton and Kamalani Kekoolani won the 18's division. OCC is sending 5 travel teams to the mainland to compete in the AAU Junior Olympics and the BVCA Invitational both in Hermosa Beach in July.

Members Nikki Taylor and James Ka won the local AVP Next bid to play directly into the main draw of the Manhattan Beach Open in August. With their partners, they had the best finishes in the four local events here and get to play amongst the pros in the most coveted event of the beach season.

In July, twelve beach volleyball girls competed in the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) National Championships and the Beach Volleyball Clubs of America (BVCA) Club Championship for 10 days in Hermosa Beach California. The BVCA tournament is the #1 tournament for Juniors. There were between 120-160 teams per age division. We had 5 teams win two rounds of pool play and make it into the gold bracket out of 80+ teams per age division! Our 15's Team of Alyssa Muraoka and Tayli Ikenaga took a Bronze medal, upsetting the #1 seed that was made up of 2 girls committed to USC, our 14's team of Emi Erickson and Cassidy Chun were able to battle through and take home a 5th place, and our 18's team made up of Kamalani Kekoolani and Cassidy Bates were able to beat two tough teams made up of girls that were committed to Florida State University (#2 in the nation) and UCLA (#1 in the nation). It was incredibly successful overall for the club and for the girls. They got numerous inquiries from college coaches for Division 1 programs including Stanford, Cal Poly, University of Hawaii etc.

The girls beach volleyball program fielded about 40+ players. They added current UH Beach Coach Evan Silberstein and a couple part-time assistant coaches to the coaching line-up. OCC Hosted the post-tournament dinner for the AVP Beach Volleyball tournament that was held here for the first time in

over a decade. We had notable Olympians using the club that weekend including: April Ross, Jennifer Kessy, Phil Daulhauser, Nick Lucena, Casey Patterson, Jake Gibb, Ricardo Santos, and the current #1 men's and women's teams in the world: Christian Sorum & Anders Mol and Agatha Bednarczuk & Eduarda Santos Lisboa. 5 Outrigger Boys competed that weekend: Riley and Maddison McKibbin, Taylor Crabb, Tri Bourne and Trevor Crabb. Taylor Crabb won the King of the Beach Tournament with his Partner Jake Gibb. Trevor and Tri made it the furthest in the AVP tournament, making it to the semifinals on Sunday and losing to Phil Dalhausser and Nick Lucena to end up with the 3rd place.

Summary:

On behalf of the all the athletic committees, coaches and athletes, we'd like to recognize the OCC maintenance and beach services staff, and all OCC employees for their hard work and ongoing and tireless support of all OCC athletic endeavors. The athletic committee thanks our OCC Board Athletic Coordinating Directors, Bret Chuckovich and Michelle Luxton for their guidance and passion. We also thank the Beach Services staff and all the other dedicated OCC staff for their cooperation and support of our excellent athletic programs. Last but not least is a huge Mahalo to Shannon Pelkey who is the glue that binds all these efforts and has been instrumental as the Athletic Director in keeping the various athletic programs on track and on budget.