

Lanikai takes third at states

WINDWARD — Lanikai and Kailua canoe clubs made a strong showing at Sunday's Hawaii Canoe Racing Association Championship Regatta on Kauai, but their efforts could only net them the event's third- and fourth-place awards.

Lanikai got solid performances out of its men's crews to earn 104 points, while Kailua tallied 98 points by relying on its boys' and women's teams. Lanikai won five events; Kailua none. However, Kailua did accumulate seven second-place finishes.

Outrigger Canoe Club ran away with the state trophy by amassing 140 points. Lokahi came in second with 109 points.

Outrigger relied on sheer numbers to once again claim the state trophy — the club's 10th in the past 11 years.

Following is a list of Lanikai's first-place crews:

- 14-under girls (Makena Coffman, Roya Elison, Melissa Hodges, Jovanna Giannasio, Sarah Massey and Thea Von Geldern), two minutes and 15.30 seconds.

- Freshman women (Lee Ann Anderson, Melanie Bailey, Megan Clark, Ann Farrell, Libby Fulk and Cathy Haring), 8:31.85.

- Freshman men (Chris Sharrer, Alaska Dambacher, Wade Chandler, Bo Eastabrook, Ira Fujisaki and Pat Von), 7:15.46.

- Sophomore men (Mike Pederson, Rock Owens, Rich Lambert, Kalani Irvine, Cory Mehau and Jim Foti), 10:53.52.

- Senior Men (Mike Pederson, Bob Nottage, Rich Lambert, Bo Eastabrook, John Foti and Jim Foti), 14:07.16.

'Mr. Fourth': HCC coach runs gamut of emotions

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HANALEI BAY, Kauai — He may have been the most frustrated paddler on the beach, but his enthusiasm for everyone around him still shined like a lighthouse.

In 17 years of outrigger canoe paddling, Paul "Kauhane" Luuwai has never won a medal at a state championship regatta.

In the last four years, he has steered five crews to fourth-place finishes.

"Mr. Fourth," Luuwai smiled during a quiet moment at Saturday's Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association's state championship regatta at picturesque Hanalei Bay, Kauai. "I think I might have to get that tattooed across the top of my face. I'm getting kind of disgusted with it. I'm really, really disappointed to be fourth again."

And it happened twice to Hawaiian Canoe Club's top steersman and keiki coach on Saturday.

In the Men's Junior 1 1/2-mile race, Luuwai steered Hawaiian to fourth in 11:40.55, 14 seconds behind bronze medalist Outrigger. Two races later, HCC was fourth again in the Men's Senior 2-mile affair in 15:08.94,

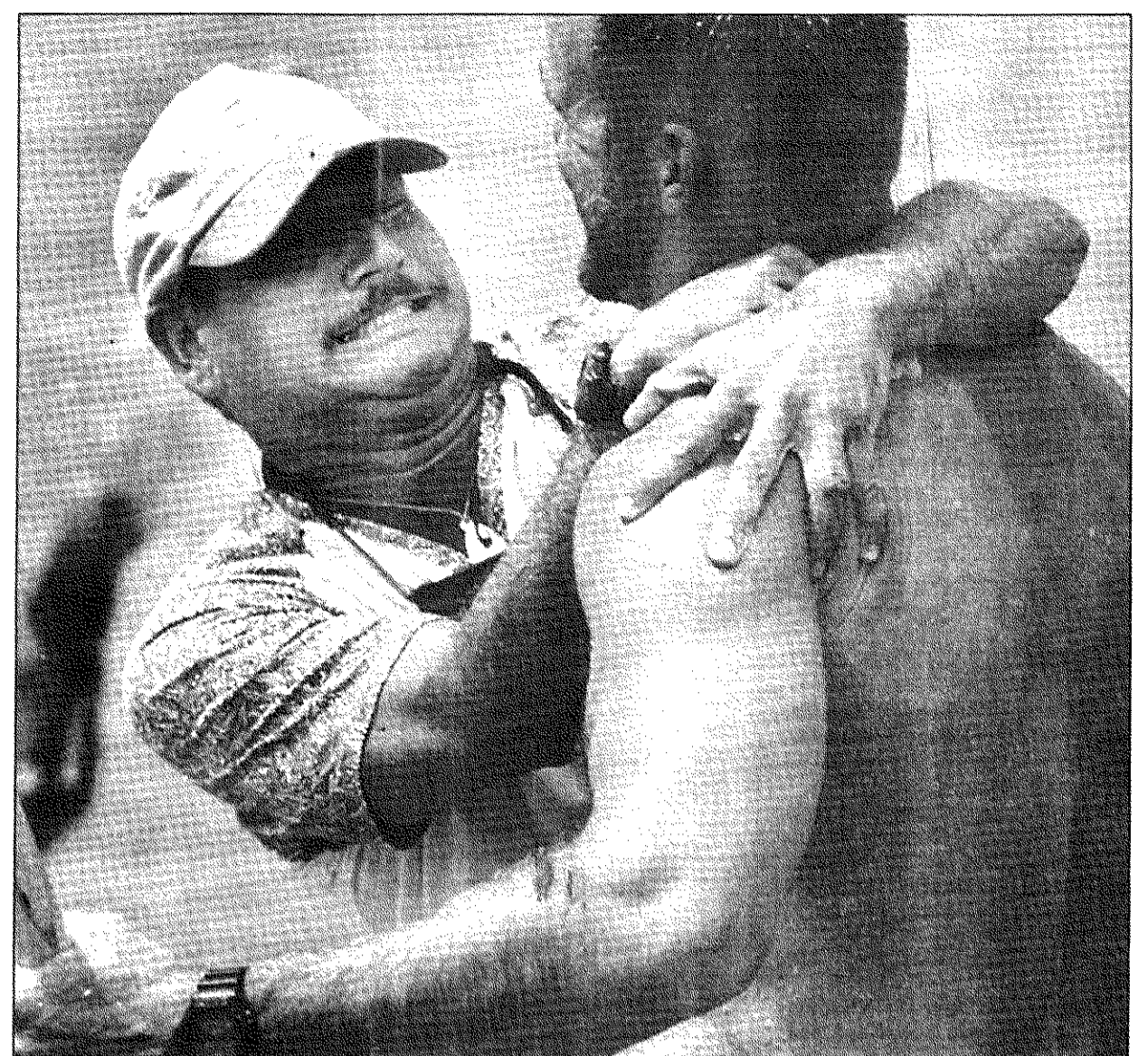
eight seconds behind Waikiki Surf Club's bronze medal.

But Luuwai is much more than coach and steersman to HCC, the 11-time Maui County Hawaiian Canoe Association defending champions.

He was the first to congratulate HCC's bronze medalists in the Men's Sophomore 1 1/2-mile race. Dean Frampton, George Dagan, Mark Karp, Tony Beaudet, Jeff Dagan and Eric Barto paddled to third in 11:48.74, which was more than 55 seconds behind champion Lanikai.

But the significance was the fact that it was a medal, and according to Luuwai it was the first upper-division men's medal ever for an MCHCA crew.

"Really? Wow, that's unreal," said Jeff Dagan, a former Maui Inter-scholastic League All-Star in soccer at Seabury Hall High School. "This is our first time in the boat together (in competition), so that makes it even sweeter. We're Freshmen,



Paul "Kauhane" Luuwai (left) congratulates Tony Beaudet on his state-medal performance.

The Dagens — Jeff, 21, and George, 24 — are a study in contrast. Jeff wears his curly blond hair shoulder length, while George has a tightly-cropped 'do and goatee to go with it. "It's definitely outrageous," George Dagan said. "I wanted to do it in the Freshman race. I'm psyched that this worked out. And I got to do it with little Jeffrey, too. That just

makes it so much sweeter. I can't believe I did it with Jeff."

Right before HCC's koa canoe reached the beach, Rory Frampton swam out to the boat and horse-colored his little brother Dean. The two embraced in the water as emotion abounded.

Karp was the only double-medalist from the MCHCA as he also won a

silver in the Men's Novice A race along with Jeremy Akuna, Mike Pasafuma, Kaimi Judd, Dave McWhirter and Kalei Lukela.

Karp now has a complete set of state champion medals because his Novice A crew won the Novice B title.

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HAWAII BEAT

Williams captures stroke play title

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Kari Williams shot the best round of the day and that vaulted her into the winner's circle yesterday at the Hawaii State Women's Stroke Play Championship held at the Mid-Pacific Country Club.

Williams, who did not three-putt all day, had a 77 to finish the 54-hole tournament at 236, one stroke better than Kim Yabe.

Playing in the last threesome with Yabe and Makoto Kamio, Williams wasn't even aware she had won until she walked off No. 18.

Kamio and Emi Anamizu finished in a tie for third place at 240. Keiki-Dawn Izumi, the first- and second-round leader, was another stroke back in fourth place.

■ **Championship game tonight:** The Tokyo Big Six All Stars will play the winner of the game between Kyung Hee University and Tohoku-Fukushi University at 7 tonight for the title of the Hawaii International Baseball Championships tournament at Rainbow Stadium.

In yesterday's games, Kyung Hee blasted the Pacific Islanders, 12-2. Tokyo Big Six beat Tohoku-Fukushi, 6-3, and Tohoku-Fukushi came back to defeat the Hawaii Island Movers, 5-2.

■ **Jamila up by one:** Damien Jamila led the Army Invitational golf tournament by one stroke after shooting a 4-under-par 68 yesterday at the Kalakaua Course.

Mark Takahama was second with a 69 and Regan Lee held third place after firing 71.

■ **Sailors in Chicago:** Matt Cochran, 17 of Kaneohe and Keawe Thurston, 16, and Lee Laney, 17, both of Honolulu, are competing at the U.S. Sailing/Rolex Junior Championships in Chicago that start today and run through Wednesday.

■ **QB Club speakers:** Terry Liskeych, head coach of the United States women's volleyball team; Terry Driscoll, International Women's Volleyball Tournament director; Hawaii Pacific Sports president Mark Zeug, and professional golfer Jackie Pung will be guest speakers at Monday's Honolulu Quarterback Club meeting at the Flamingo Chuckwagon.

Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m., with the program following at noon.

■ **Hawaii rolls on:** At Omaha, Neb., Hawaii (8-0) won its first two championship-bracket games yesterday in the Continental Amateur Baseball Association World Series for 12 year olds.

Keli Correa pitched a three-hitter as Hawaii defeated Nebraska, 9-1, and Jason Koga tossed a five-hitter as Hawaii topped Ohio, 13-2.

■ **Pearl City splits:** At Lodi, Calif., Erin Sing Chow struck out 28 batters and allowed just three hits in two games, but the Pearl

City Pearls had to settle for a split on the opening day of the American Softball Association Western States 10-and-under tournament.

Sing Chow fanned 13 in a one-hit, 1-0, loss to Westlake/Agoura, Calif., in the first game, then whiffed 15 as Pearl City defeated Pleasanton, Calif., 7-0.

■ **Hawaii eliminated:** At Aurora, Colo., after beating Regis, Colo., 10-5, Hawaii was ousted from the U.S. Amateur World Series for 16 year olds yesterday with a 5-3 loss to Tacoma, Wash.

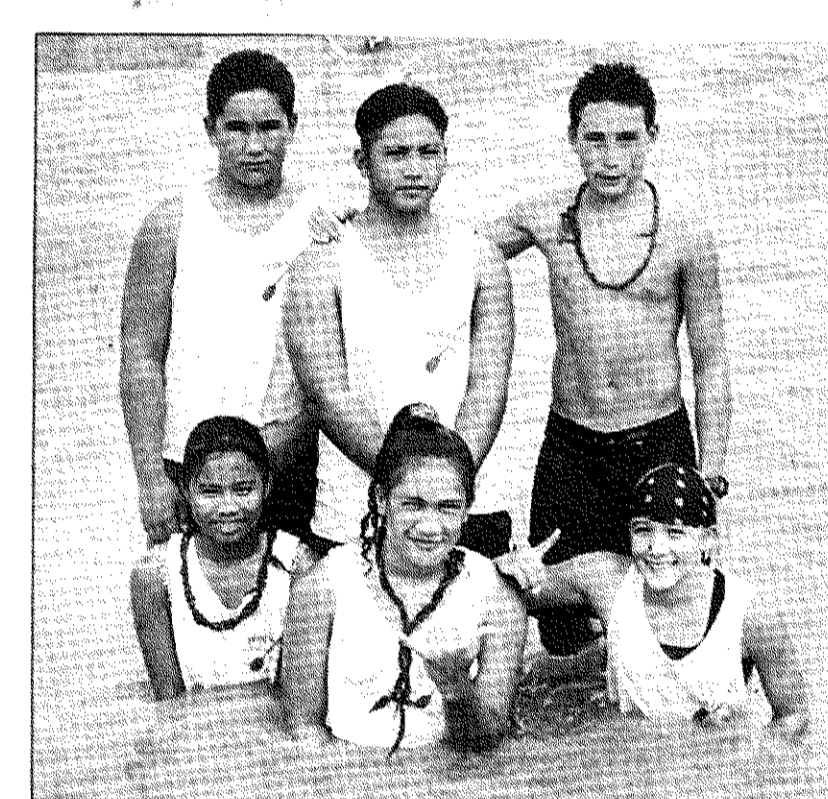
■ **Milliani/Waipio wins:** At Po-way, Calif., Maile Lei Sylva pitched a no-hitter to lead Milliani/Waipio to an 11-0 victory over Novato, Calif., yesterday in the Bobby Sox National Tournament for players 9-11 years old.

Sylva struck out eight.

■ **Na Wahine lose:** At Midland, Texas, Hawaii's Na Wahine dropped a 4-2 decision to Irving, Texas, in its first game in the girls' fast pitch 16-and-under American Softball Association National tournament yesterday.

■ **Duke Kahanamoku volleyball:** The 27th annual Duke Kahanamoku State Volleyball Tournament for men's open doubles will be held next Saturday and Sunday at the Outrigger Canoe Club.

To enter, call 923-1585 by 6 p.m. Friday. The fee is \$10 per person.



Hawaiian Canoe Club won two state championship gold medals at the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association state championship regatta at Hanalei Bay, Kauai, on Saturday. In the photo at left, the HCC Mixed 12 crew of (front row, from left) Regina Pante, Teana Cramer and Malia Ho and (back row, from left) Victor Pullman, Kilipaki



Eugenio and Judson McCandless won their quarter-mile race in 2:05.20. Four races later, the HCC Boys 14 crew of (photo right, front row, from left) Jason Napoleon, James "Kimo" Palakiko, and Bryan Lustig-Thurman, and (back row, from left) Kalama McEwen, Eli Brown and John McCandless IV won their race in 1:53.37.

State canoes brings smiles for Hawaiian

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ter in the keiki (18-under) division. We scored 36 there and I was looking for 45 to 50. ... But we did so many good things."

While Outrigger Canoe Club powered its ways to 140 points and its 11th state title in the last 12 years, HCC head coach Diane Ho wasn't about to be disappointed with the 93 points Hawaiian hung up for sixth. HCC finished behind five Oahu clubs.

HCC men's coach Jody D'Enbeau, a former Outrigger coach and paddler, said, "We're about two years from breaking into the top three solidly. Depth, equipment and organization is what it takes and we've got all three."

Perhaps in the end it was Bryan Lustig-Thurman, the steersman for HCC's state champion Boys 14 crew, who put it best.

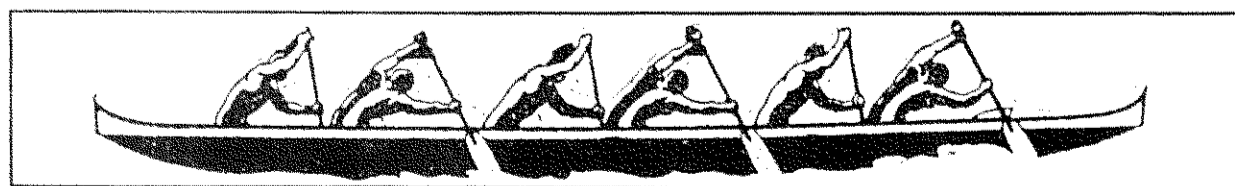
"State champions," Lustig-Thurman smiled. "It feels good. We really wanted to win, not only for ourselves, but also for the club. It feels awesome."



Hoopili Canoe Club of Molokai won the first gold medal of the day as its Girls 12 crew of (front row, from left) Tiana Heen, Kealani Kimball and Leah Arce and (back row, from left) Stefanie Furlong, Anuhea Kaai and Olakalani Mollena won their race in 2:14.39.

Two Hanalei crews win state

Outrigger is top club



HANALEI — Outrigger Canoe Club of O'ahu won the overall competition, but two Hanalei Canoe Club crews placed first in their divisions in the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association State Regatta Saturday at Hanalei Bay.

A huge throng of people — competitors, fans and tourists —

gathered to participate in or watch the year-end state races.

Overall, Hanalei placed seventh out of seven club's in the AAA Division (15 or more crews entered) with 57 points. Outrigger of O'ahu was first with 140 points followed by Lokahi with 109 and Lanikai with 104.

Kauai's Pu'uwai Canoe Club finished tied for 10th in the AA Division (7 to 14 crews entered), while Kauai's Koloa and Kaiola Canoe Clubs tied for 20th place overall in the A Division (six or less crews entered).

Hanalei's Junior Women's and Men's Senior Masters crews pad-

dled to divisional victories. Kristin Tennant, Katie Curtis, Mary Brewer, Ceccee Sheehan, Monica Seager and Kaiona Forrest were the victorious Junior Women paddlers.

Steve Baker, Daniel Sullivan, Mark Daniells, Nick Beck, Murphy Carfagna and Kawika Goodale led

the Senior Men's Masters to the top.

Hanalei also had two other medal winning crews placing in the top three. The Men's Open 4 Division and Mixed Open Division crews both placed third.

In addition, Hanalei was fifth in the Boys 12-and-Under Division, fifth in the Boys 16-and-Under Division, fourth in the Women's Masters Division, and fifth in the Mixed Masters Division.