

Outrigger is too much

Outpoints field to bring home another state championship

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HANAIEI, Kauai — The state canoe championship will rest comfortably with the Outrigger Canoe Club.

Again. For the second consecutive year and the 10th time in the last 11 years, Outrigger won the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association State Championship Regatta. At Hanalei Bay yesterday, Outrigger amassed 140 points to out-distance the rest of the competition.

"It's a great victory," said Outrigger's first-year head coach Kalani Schrader. "Definitely rewarding. Not only for me, but for the whole club as well."

Lokahi, a perennial Na Ohana O Na Hui Wa'a power, finished second with 109 points and Lanikai was third at 104. Kai Opua won the AA Division (for clubs with 7-14 crews) with 55 points and Na Keiki O Ka Mo'i took the A Division (6 crews or less) with 26.

Despite the scores, Outrigger's victory did not come easily.

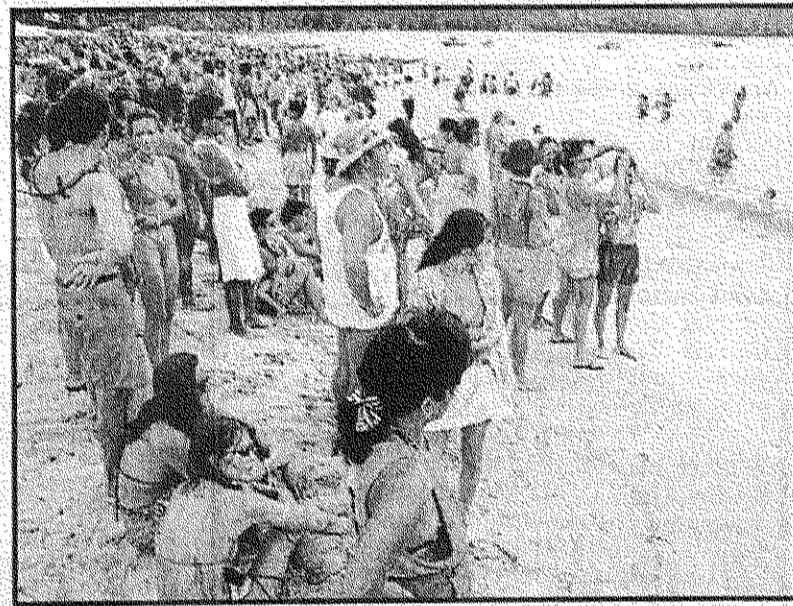
Lokahi, which has never won a state title, and Lanikai, which last won in the mid-1960s, pushed Outrigger the entire day.

Even Hui Nalu, the only team other than Outrigger to win the state championship in the past 11 years, provided a brief scare. After the first 10 races — mostly for the youth crews — Hui Nalu led Outrigger by one point.

Later, Lokahi would make See Outrigger, Page C5



Gentlemen start their paddling during the start of the men's open race during yesterday's state canoe championship at Hanalei Bay.



A huge crowd gathered to watch the competition.



Paddlers head to the starting line with their canoes.

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Results

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At Hanalei Bay, Kauai

Team Standings

AAA Division (15 crews or more)

1, Outrigger.....	140
2, Lokahi.....	109
3, Lanikai.....	104
4, Kailua.....	98
5, Hui Nalu.....	96
6, Hawaiian.....	93
7, Hanalei.....	57

AA Division (14 to 7 crews)

1, Kai Opua 55, 2, Waikiki Surf Club 44, 3, Napili 38, 4, Puna 26, 5 (tie), Kawaihae, Koa Kai 22, 7, Kahana 16, 8, Kaneohe 12, 9, Na Kai 'Ewalu 11, 10 (tie), Pu'uwai, Waikiki Yacht Club 4.
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A Division

1, Na Keiki O Ka Mo'i, 2, Kaili Kai 18, 3, Ho'opi'i 16, 4 (tie), Malama Ula, Healani 15, 6, Kai E Hiti 14, 7, Keauhou O Kona 13, 8, Kamehameha (Hawaii) 12, 9, Waikiki Beach Boys 11, 10, Anuenue 10, 11, Koolau 9, 12, Honolulu 8, 13 (tie), Kihai, Waikoloa, Keoua 5, 16, Kona Athletic Club 3, 17 (tie), Loe Ula O Kai, Hui Na Poolea, Kai Oni 2, 20 (tie), Koloa, Kaiola, Windward Kai, Kamehameha (Oahu), Kaahakoho 1, 25, Mamala, Molokai, Mana'e, Kihohana, Lahaina, Wai'anae, Queen Liliuokalani, Keaukaha, Alapa Hoo, Manu O Ke Kai, Kai Po'ha, Leeward Kai 0.

GIRLS

1/2 mile	1, Ho'opi'i (Kealani Kimball, Stephanie Furlong, Anuhea Kaai, Oskalani Molena, Leah Arce, Tiana Heen) 2:14.03, 2, Kawaihae 2:14.39, 3, Kahana 2:17.79, 4, Hui Nalu 2:17.83, 5, Outrigger 2:20.23, 13-under: 1, Napili (Julie Reed, Tiana Arasua, Michorann Arangel, Kaiea Nakata, Charlene Lived, Jennifer Coutrop) 2:12.83, 2, Hui Nalu 2:16.31, 3, Kaili Kai 2:17.79, 4, Lanikai 2:18.88, 5, Na Keiki O Ka Mo'i 2:19.82, 14-under: 1, Lanikai (Makana Coffman, Roya Elison, Melissa Hodges, Jovan-na Giannasio, Sarah Massey, Thae Von Geldern) 2:15.30, 2, Kai Opua 2:15.58, 3, Lanikai 2:15.92, 4, Hui Nalu 2:16.19, 5, Ho'opi'i 2:17.95.
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BOYS

1/2 mile	16-under: 1, Outrigger (Mahealani Lum, Melissa Gibson, Meleana Biaich, Annie Rosa, Sandy Dunn, Nanea Tannehill) 4:21.23, 2, Hui Nalu 4:28.39, 3, Kai Opua 4:31.96, 4, Na Keiki O Ka Mo'i 4:33.97, 5, Lanikai 4:35.04, 18-under: 1, Lanikai (Kim Tios, Tara Beyer, Taryn Dean, Marlowe Penfold, Nalani McCasque, Kristy Stoddard) 4:20.60, 2, Lokahi 4:31.30, 3, Na Kai 'Ewalu 4:34.73, 4, Na Keiki O Ka Mo'i 4:35.07, 5, Outrigger 4:36.94.
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WOMEN

1/2 mile	16-under: 1, Kawaihae (Kevin Tarpley, Mitchell Roehrig, John Subiono, Justin Clark, Earl Ventura, Kivalani Solomon) 3:52.52, 2, Hui Nalu 3:54.39, 3, Kailua 3:55.75, 4, Lokahi 3:57.26, 5, Hanalei 3:58.81.
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18-under

1, Lokahi (Denton Pang, Jon Duran, Alan Parsa, Jim Farnum, Aaron Kolashinski, Milo Spindt) 7:32.87, 2, Outrigger 7:42.91, 3, Lanikai 7:47.32, 4, Kailua 7:48.93, 5, Hawaiian 7:49.28.

19-under

1, Kamehameha (Male McPherson, Brooke Moani Pal, Charisse Keli, Jennifer Siola, Hokuiani Busby, Melissa Kanani McCullen) 2:08.54, 2, Healani 2:09.09, 3, Kailua 2:09.47, 4, Waikoloa 2:09.96, 5, Hui Nalu 2:11.00.
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20-under

1, Lanikai (Lee Ann Anderson, Melanie Bailey, Megan Clark, Ann Farroll, Libby Fuik, Cathy Haring) 6:31.85, 2, Lokahi 6:32.53, 3, Koa Kai 6:47.54, 4, Kailua 6:51.05, 5, Outrigger 6:57.88, Sophomores: 1, Outrigger (Nicole Wilcox, Donna Kahaku, Lisa Livingston, Sara Ackerman, Kaili Chun, Kisi Haine) 6:12.20, 2, Kailua 6:16.23, 3, Lokahi 6:34.02, 4, Healani 6:57.58, 5, Puna 9:02.17, Junior: 1, Hanalei (Kristin Tennant, Katie Curtis, Mary Brewer, Cecese Sheehan, Monica Seager, Kainoa Forrest) 6:47.78, 2, Hawaiian 6:49.09, 3, Outrigger 6:54.43, 4, Kai Opua 6:54.74, 5, Koa Kai 6:55.69, Masters: 1, Napili (Joyce Garrard, Cindy Narratatz, Ann Blanchard, James Casco, Donnelle Zarko, Laura Bears) 6:50.78, 2, Hui Nalu 9:05.53, 3, Lokahi 9:12.12, 4, Hanalei 9:18.01, 5, Koa Kai 9:19.84.

11/2 mile

Senior: 1, Outrigger (Nicole Wilcox, Donna Kahaku, Lisa Livingston, Sara Ackerman, Kaili Chun, Kisi Haine) 12:58.93, 2, Kailua 13:12.32, 3, Puna 13:35.45, 4, Lanikai 13:39.51, 5, Hawaiian 13:55.81.

1 mile

Novice B: 1, Lanikai Surf Club (Ralph Gray, Eric Everett, George Haydu, Daniel Epstein, Clay Valverde, Matthew Guard) 3:40.26, 2, Lokahi 3:40.89, 3, Outrigger 3:42.29, 4, Lanikai 3:44.82, 5, Anuenue 3:48.37.

1/2 mile

Novice A: 1, Lokahi (Robert Mullane, Joseph B. Sanchez, Ewoud A. Bezemer, Stephen Anderson, Grant Currie, Ryan McGrath) 7:28.05, 2, Hawaiian 7:28.37, 3, Kailua 7:38.38, 4, Hui Nalu 7:41.99, 5, Waikiki Surf Club 7:42.63, Freshmen: 1, Lanikai (Chris Sharrer, Alaska Daambacher, Wade Chandler, Bo Eastabrook, Ira Fujisaki, Pat Von) 7:15.46, 2, Kailua 7:16.86, 3, Outrigger 7:18.08, 4, Lokahi 7:30.12, 5, Hawaiian 7:30.50, Masters: 1, Puna (Steve Blyth, Mike Divinski, Paul Malama, John Lowmyer, Ata Tuaoilo, Brian Peterson) 7:17.39, 2, Kailua 7:18.35, 3, Outrigger 7:20.13, 4, Malama Ula 7:25.74, 5, Waikiki Surf Club 7:39.58.

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Sophomore: 1, Lanikai (Mike Pederson, Rock Owens, Rich Lambert, Kalani Irvine, Cory Mehuau, Jim Foti) 10:53.52, 2, Outrigger 11:18.08, 3, Hawaiian 11:48.74, 4, Hui Nalu 12:38.92, 5, Waikiki Beach Boys 12:39.50, Junior: 1, Waikiki Surf Club (Tim Twigg-Smith, Brad Kane, Mitchell Judd, Greg Edwards, Jim Beaton, Heath Hemmings) 11:13.86, 2, Lanikai 11:18.52, 3, Outrigger 11:26.91, 4, Hawaiian 11:40.55, 5, Kai Opua 11:48.62.

2 mile

Senior: 1, Lanikai (Mike Pederson, Bob Notlage, Rich Lambert, Bo Eastabrook, John Foti, Jim Foti) 14:07.16, 2, Outrigger 14:39.60, 3, Waikiki Surf Club 15:00.96, 4, Hawaiian 15:08.94, 5, Waikiki Beach Boys 15:40.96.

1/2 mile

Open: 1, Kai Opua (Carnie Judd, Nicki Lacey Enos, Grace Emanuel, David Ayau, Nat Hendricks, George Leslie D.E.) 3:54.17, 2, Kailua 3:54.48, 3, Hanalei 3:58.42, 4, Honolulu 4:00.07, 5, Koolau 4:01.06.

NOTE: Results of the senior master men, open 4 women, open 4 men and mixed masters races were not received by the Advertiser last night.