

Macfarlane Regatta Trophy: Introduced in 1972, this beautiful koa wave bears the names of all winning clubs since OCC's annual 4th of July race canoe race was first dedicated to Walter Macfarlane in 1943.

Walter Macfarlane Memorial Cup: Awarded to the winning Senior Men's crew since the first Walter Macfarlane Memorial Regatta in 1943. By tradition the winners share a champagne toast from the cup with the 2nd-place crew.

Senior Women's Cup: Introduced in 1984. Awarded to the winner of the Senior Women's race. A champagne toast from the cup with the 2nd-place crew follows the same tradition as the Senior Men.

The Muriel Flanders Trophy: Introduced in 1980, this beautiful replica of a 6-man racing canoe goes to the winning Boys 18s crew. Named in honor of Walter Macfarlane's sister, a staunch supporter of children's and women's paddling.

Girl's 18s Cup: Introduced in 1990. Awarded to the winner of the Girls 18s race.

Bob Fischer Memorial Cup: One of the original silver cups awarded in the inaugural 1943 Macfarlane Regatta. Re-introduced into competition in 1991 for the winning Novice B Women's crew. Named for OCC's first women's coach, and a strong advocate for women's paddling.

Albert "Toots" Minvielle Memorial Cup: One of the original silver cups awarded in the inaugural 1943 Macfarlane Regatta. Re-introduced into competition in 1991 for the winning Novice B Men's crew. Named in honor of the long-time paddling enthusiast and founder of the Moloka'i Hoe canoe race.

Women Masters and Senior Masters Bowls: Introduced in 1984 for the most junior and senior winning crews of the Women's Masters Division.

Primo Cup: A silver cup donated by the Primo Brewing Company for the 1945 Macfarlane Regatta. Re-introduced into competition in 1991 for the most junior winning crew of the Men's Masters Division.

Ke Ka Wa'a Kahiko: This copy of a canoe bailer in the collection of the Bishop Museum was introduced in 1995 for the most senior winning crew of the Men's Masters Division.

Boys & Girls 12s Trophy: Introduced in 1992 to recognize the youngest competitors in the race - the winning Boys and Girls 12s crews.

USS Arizona Award: Introduced in 2015 to go to the winner of the Macfarlane Invitational Military Race.



75th ANNUAL

Walter J. Macfarlane Memorial Canoe Regatta

WAIKIKI BEACH,

Tuesday, July 4, 2017



"Walter Mac"
Macfarlane

The 4th of July Canoe Races have been an Outrigger Canoe Club tradition since 1910, making it the longest running canoe race in the history of the sport. Walter James Macfarlane – a native Hawaiian business man, legislator and sportsman – was a long time supporter of canoe racing and valued member of the Outrigger Canoe Club. While on a trip to California in 1943, Walter Macfarlane died suddenly. The 4th of July canoe race that year was dedicated to his memory inaugurating a tradition that has been renewed every year since. It is the only surf race of the year for the competing clubs, where paddlers' skills, combined with luck and the steersman's ability to catch a wave, give any crew the chance to capture a gold medal.

"Walter Mac" became president of the Outrigger Canoe Club in 1939, a year before Outrigger was due to lose its long-time Waikiki beach front. With a small group of club enthusiasts he successfully acquired a new site next door and built a new club, completed in 1941 where the present Outrigger Hotel now stands. The Club remains dedicated to the purpose for which it was founded in 1908... "to the promotion and perpetuation of Hawaii water sports."

The Outrigger Canoe Club provides thirteen trophies for the Macfarlane Canoe Regatta. Four of these trophies are perpetual and on display during the regatta at the Outrigger Canoe Club's tent. Nine trophies for the AAA, AA, and A divisions, first second and third place, will also be on display and presented along with the perpetual trophies to winning crews with a champagne toast at the end of the day.

Mahalo nui to all of the people whose kokua make this day possible. Among them, Robert Cazimero, Leslie Goldman, Manu Boyd, and Niuli'i Heine for the opening ceremonies. Thanks also to our emcees Billy Phillpotts and Tom McTigue and officials for overseeing today's competition. A special thanks to the Macfarlane Family for their continued support of canoe racing. We are also thankful for Kenny Rust and crew who provide water safety for the day. A special mahalo to HPD, Duke's and Hula's restaurants, Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center and the Sheraton Waikiki for their continued support. Finally, thank you to the Outrigger Hotels for the use of their property and hosting a special reception for the paddlers in the Military Race.

President's Message - 2017 Macfarlane Regatta

Aloha and welcome to the 75th Annual Walter J. Macfarlane Regatta on this Independence Day. You are participating in a piece of Hawaii's history as this is the 107th July 4th regatta held in Waikiki. This year approximately 15,000 people will either participate or watch the races held today which makes this regatta not only the oldest regatta, but also the most-watched. Outrigger Canoe Club has hosted this event from its inception and is proud to present it to our community again this year. As you enjoy the excitement of this day, be sure to take a moment to appreciate the freedom you have been given by our country's past & present armed forces.

Anthony Hunt, President, Outrigger Canoe Club

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