

OCC Is 'Awesome' in Kam Regatta

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If yesterday's Kamehameha Day Regatta, held at Kailua Beach, is an example of paddling contests to come then Outrigger Canoe Club might just as well break out the champagne and start celebrating.

The season's championship is in the bag.

"Outrigger displayed awesome power today," signed an Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association official.

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who asked to remain anonymous for fear of favoritism cries from HCRA's 14 other clubs on Oahu.

"OF THE 27 EVENTS, Outrigger won 10 of them and placed second or third in seven others," the official pointed out. "Hui Nalu Canoe Club was supposed to give Outrigger competition but they won only four events and were 28 points behind. This was definitely a one-sided regatta."

OCC may have stroked off with most of the regatta's prizes, but for the thousands of canoe paddlers, race followers and spectators, Kai-

lua Beach yesterday was their paradise found.

Although the score failed to indicate as such, Hawaii Kai's Hui Nalu paddlers gave OCC a run for their medals in several events.

"I just knew that we could win if we tried," said a happy Lana Spencer, who stroked Hui Nalu's senior women to a 17-second win over the OCC's ladies.

"I'VE GOT A great crew sitting behind me," she added. "I went into this race with confidence. We trained hard for this win and the crew didn't let up a stroke."

But in the two-mile senior men's event—the regatta's blue ribbon finale—Hui Nalu tried, but failed, to topple the mighty OCC men from San Souci Beach.

"Watch this race," said meet director Mel Kalahiki, at the start of the senior men's event. "Watch at the way Outrigger and Hui Nalu go at it. You can feel the electricity flow between them here on shore. It's going to be a close race."

Throughout the entire two-mile heat, only scant yards separated the two crews. "Hui Nalu and OCC were pretty much together at the turns," explained Mike Lemes, the OCC steersman, "but we opened up on the straights. Close competition may be what canoe racing is all about but I'm just happy that we won by any distance." After a grueling 16-minute, 47-second battle, OCC edged Hui Nalu by eight seconds.

OCC's winning senior men's crew consisted of Tom Conner, stoker, Marshall Rosa, Mark Buck, Tim Kelley, Bill Mowat and steersman Lemes.

While outrigger and Hui Nalu were renewing their rivalries of past seasons and battling for the lead, Lanikai, Kailua and Healani crews kept in contention—seldom winning, but always pressing.

Regatta leaders: 1. Outrigger 77 points; 2. Hui Nalu 51 points; 3. Lanikai 41 points; 4. Kailua 38 points; 5. Healani 28 points; 6. Wai-kiki Surf 23 points; 7. Hui Lanakila 16 points; 8. Koolau 14 points.

PADDLE BOARD—Honolulu's Hawaiian Warriors, competing in the HCRA for the first time, may have placed a lowly 11th in the regatta's standings but the Warrior's new koa canoe stole the show.

"We christened the canoe-Kaima 'O Kala-ni Ke Kai (Child of the Heavens and the Sea)—on Saturday," reported Sam Steamboat Mokuahi Jr., the Warrior's coach. "The canoe came from the Big Island and was built with love and care. It's a fast boat—perhaps too fast for our crews right now. But this is a building year. We're starting at the bottom and probably won't be competitive for one or two seasons. But after that, watch out!"

(Child of the Heavens and the Sea)—on Saturday," reported Sam Steamboat, the Warrior's coach. "The canoe came from the Big Island and was built with love and care."

John Scully, a 15-year-old Punahou School student, topped the 20-entry Paddle board contest held during the regatta's lunch-break. Scully turned the three-mile course in 21 minutes and 18 seconds, six seconds ahead of second-place finisher Jay Tansley.



WINNING FOURSOME—The Men's Open 4s entry from Outrigger Canoe Club strokes toward the finish line in one of yesterday's Kamehameha Day Regatta races. Members of OCC's winning crew are John Finney, Bruce Ames, Henry Ayau and Tim Guard.—Star-Bulletin Photo by John Titchen.

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OCC, Kaneohe continue to rule in canoe

Outrigger Canoe Club and Kaneohe established themselves as early-season powers yesterday capturing their second straight regattas in their respective associations.

Hui Nalu, which finished second behind Outrigger in last week's OHORA Leeward Kai Regatta, placed second again with 63 points followed by Kailua with 36 points.

Outrigger piled up 67 points to capture the Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association's Pop Waialeale Regatta held off Waimanalo, while Kaneohe paddled to 47 points in the Hui Wa'a and Surfing Association's Na Keiki O Ka Mo'i Regatta off Makena Beach.

Hui Wa'a's Loa'a totaled 31 points to finish behind Kaneohe with the Beach Boys coming in third with 30 points.

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Regatta in Kailua

Outlined by branches of a Kailua Beach Park tree, paddlers bend to the task of paddling their canoes in the annual Kamehameha Day Regatta held Sunday in Kailua Bay. Several thousand persons attended the 27 events, 10 of which were won by Outrigger Canoe Club, the defending state champion. The Lanikai Canoe Club edged host Kailua Canoe Club for third place overall honors.—Photo for Sun Press by Bud Lawton.



Canoe Honors to Outrigger, Kaneohe Clubs

Outrigger Canoe Club overcame a three-second penalty on the final race of the day to hold off a determined Hui Nalu effort and win its second Oahu Canoe Racing Association regatta in as many weeks.

Outrigger's senior men's crew, comprised of Tom Conner, Marshal Roza, Mark Buck, Tim Kelley, Bill Mowatt and Mike Lemes, was assessed a three-second penalty for hitting the 3/4-mile flag in their two-mile race but still took a six-second victory—with a time of 16 minutes, 39.3 seconds—over Hui Nalu to keep OCC unbeaten.

The final-race victory enabled OCC, which ran away with last week's regatta, to take the "Pop" Waialeale regatta by a scant four points, 67-63, over host Hui Nalu.

MEANWHILE, THE Hui Wa'a and Surfing Association held its Na Keiki O Ka Mo'i Regatta at Makena Beach, with favorite Kaneohe posting a comfortable win, finishing with 47 points to second-place Loa'a's 31.

The dramatic conclusion to the Waialeale regatta was set up by the Hui Nalu senior women, who won the second to last race of the day, a one-mile event.

The Hui Nalu women—Lana Spencer, Nalani Spencer, Christine Gibson, Ann Schumaker, Carol Kukea and Lila Blankenfeld—breezed to an 18-second victory over Outrigger, winning the race in a time of 9 minutes, 41.5 seconds.

OCC posted three consecutive wins in the quarter-mile girls' 13-and-under, the quarter-mile women's novice 'A' and the boys' quarter-mile 14-and-under races, to take a big early lead. OCC also won the women's masters mile and freshmen men's mile races.

HUI NALU POSTED wins in the mixed quarter-mile; the boys' 16; men's open and junior women's races.

Kaneohe overcame fast starts by Loa'a and Kamehameha canoe clubs and finally built up a comfortable lead with its intermediate crews to win the Na Keiki O Ka Mo'i Regatta.

The powerful Windward canoe club won the men's novice 'B' half-mile race; the women's novice 'A' half-mile race; the men's novice 'A' three-quarter-mile race and the women's sophomore mile race.

Koolau took the OCRA's Division II title this week with 22 points, while Hui Lanakila finished second with 13.

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Kaiahua Regatta

HUI WA'A ASSOCIATION
At Makena Beach

- Final Standings—1. Walkiki Beach Boys 50 points; 2. Kaneohe 27; 3. Kamehameha 24; (tie) Kai Koro and Loa'a 23; 4. Kai Mo'i 20; 5. Koa Kai 16; 6. Windward Kai 13; 7. Lanikai 10; 8. Lanikai 8; 9. Hawaii Kai 7; 10. Sena 6; Dauphins 2; 11. Eku 1.
- Boys 12 (1/4-Mile)—1. Kaneohe 2:17.91; 2. Loa'a 2:20.7; 3. Sena & Dauphins 2:36.2; 4. Kai Koro 2:56.5; 5. Lanikai 2:59.
- Boys 12 (1/2-Mile)—1. Ka Mo'i 4:17.08; 2. Kaneohe 4:21.0; 3. Loa'a 4:24.0; 4. Hawaii Kai 4:31.8.
- Women's Novice B (1/4-Mile)—1. Loa'a 2:47.94; 2. Walkiki Beach Boys 2:58.0; 3. Lanikai 2:59.4; 4. Kai Koro 3:03.7; 5. Healani 3:04.8.
- Girls 12 (1/4-Mile)—1. Loa'a 2:14.77; 2. Kamehameha 2:27.8; 3. Kaneohe 2:30.2; 4. Windward Kai 2:31.0; 5. Walkiki Beach Boys 2:35.7.
- Boys 14 (1/4-Mile)—1. Kaneohe 2:00.0; 2. Ka Mo'i 2:05.3; 3. Windward Kai 2:07.3; 4. Hawaii Kai 2:11.6; 5. Kamehameha 2:14.
- Girls 14 (1/4-Mile)—1. Kamehameha 2:16.28; 2. Kaneohe 2:22.0; 3. Walkiki Beach Boys 2:26.4; 4. Lanikai 2:26.7; 5. Kai Koro 2:28.
- Men's Novice B (1/4-Mile)—1. Kamehameha 4:08.7; 2. Kai Mo'i 4:11.3; 3. Windward Kai 4:14.1; 4. Walkiki Beach Boys 4:15.1; 5. Kaneohe 4:18.7.
- Women's Novice A (1/4-Mile)—1. Walkiki Beach Boys 4:50.38; 2. Koa Kai 4:54.4; 3. Kai Mo'i 4:59.4; 4. Lanikai 5:04.5; 5. Loa'a 5:04.7.
- Men's Novice A (1/4-Mile)—1. Kamehameha 6:38.09; 2. Hawaii Kai 6:39.3; 3. Lanikai 6:40.4; 4. Windward Kai 6:42.8; 5. Kaneohe 6:44.5.
- Boys 16 (1/4-Mile)—1. Kai Koro 6:15.08; 2. Walkiki Beach Boys 6:19.22; 3. Windward Kai 6:21.4; 4. Loa'a 6:21.7; 5. Kamehameha 6:21.
- Boys 18 (1/4-Mile)—1. Loa'a 6:04.09; 2. Kamehameha 6:07.4; 3. Lanikai 6:12.4; 4. Windward Kai 6:14.5; 5. Kai Koro 6:14.7.
- Women's Novice A (1/2-Mile)—1. Kai Koro 8:04.08; 2. Lanikai 8:07.8; 3. Kaneohe 8:11.1; 4. Eku 8:18.0.
- Men's Novice A (1/2-Mile)—1. Koa Kai 8:04.2; 2. Walkiki Beach Boys 8:05.3; 3. Lanikai 8:05.8; 4. Kai Mo'i 8:05.0.
- Sophomore Women (1/2-Mile)—1. Kaneohe 10:38.45; 2. Kai Koro 11:02.7; 3. Ka Mo'i 11:12.6.
- Senior Women (1/2-Mile)—1. Koa Kai 12:58.42; 2. Kamehameha 13:39.3; 3. Kai Mo'i 14:03.7; 4. Loa'a 14:14.0; 5. Kai Koro 14:17.
- Junior Women (1/2-Mile)—1. Walkiki Beach Boys 13:23.5; 2. Kai Koro 14:27.3; 3. Windward Kai 14:31.0.
- Junior Men (2 Miles)—1. Lanikai 18:23.2.
- Senior Women (1/2-Mile)—1. Walkiki Beach Boys 14:04.82; 2. Kamehameha 15:02.
- Senior Men (2 1/2 Miles)—1. Walkiki Beach Boys 21:21.2.

Kaupiko Regatta

OAHU ASSOCIATION
At Makena Beach

- FINAL STANDINGS—Overall: 1. Hui Nalu 95 points; 2. Outrigger 45; 3. Healani 35; 4. Koolau 25; 5. Kailua 28.
- Tribe-A Division: 1. Hui Nalu 95 points; 2. Outrigger 45; 3. Healani 35; 4. Kailua 28; 5. Walkiki Surf 26; 6. Lanikai 16; 7. Makena 5; Division B: 1. Koolau 20 points; 2. Hui Lanakila 18; 3. Leeward Kai 11; 4. (tie) Honolulu and Hawaiian Warriors.
- Boys 12 B (1/4-Mile)—1. Hui Nalu 2:02.2; 2. Healani 2:09.7; 3. Leeward Kai 2:20.7; 4. Kailua 2:29.3; 5. Makena 2:37.2.
- Boys 12 A (1/4-Mile)—1. Healani 1:46.0; 2. Outrigger 2:02.3; 3. Hui Nalu 2:05.5; 4. Makena 2:09.1; 5. Leeward Kai 2:15.4.
- Mixed (1/4-Mile)—1. Hui Nalu 1:55.7; 2. Honolulu 2:00.2; 3. Lanikai 2:07.1; 4. Healani 2:18.7.
- Women's Novice B (1/4-Mile)—1. Koolau 1:52.7; 2. Hawaiian Warriors 1:50.1; 3. Outrigger 2:00.3; 4. Healani 2:02.8; 5. Lanikai 2:05.4.
- Boys 13 (1/4-Mile)—1. Hui Nalu 1:53.3; 2. Makena 1:56.5; 3. Outrigger 1:58.4; 4. Leeward Kai 1:59.3; 5. Walkiki 1:59.3.
- Girls 12 (1/4-Mile)—1. Kailua 2:05.2; 2. Koolau 2:00.7; 3. Outrigger 2:07.8; 4. Healani 2:06.5; 5. Walkiki Surf 2:10.1.
- Women's Novice A (1/4-Mile)—1. Outrigger 1:55.0; 2. Hawaiian Warriors 1:50.7; 3. Hui Nalu 1:51.2; 4. Koolau 1:51.6; 5. Healani 1:53.1.
- Boys 14 (1/4-Mile)—1. Kailua 1:47.2; 2. Healani 1:51.8; 3. Honolulu 1:51.1; 4. Outrigger 1:52.8; 5. Makena 1:59.7.
- Girls 14 (1/4-Mile)—1. Outrigger 1:50.8; 2. Leeward Kai 1:56.1; 3. Lanikai 1:55.8; 4. Hui Nalu 2:00.2; 5. Healani 2:01.4.
- Women's Novice A (1/2-Mile)—1. Hui Nalu 1:55.1; 2. Outrigger 1:51.0; 3. Healani 2:07.1; 4. Kailua 2:07.8; 5. Lanikai 2:12.1.
- Men's Novice B (1/2-Mile)—1. Hui Lanakila 2:07.1; 2. Lanikai 2:08.3; 3. Walkiki Surf 2:09.0; 4. Hui Nalu 2:01.9; 5. Hawaiian Warriors 4:10.2.
- Men's Novice A (1/2-Mile)—1. Hui Lanakila 3:54.2; 2. Koolau 3:55.4; 3. Hui Nalu 4:00.7; 4. Hawaiian Warriors 4:01.2; 5. Kailua 4:01.4.
- Boys 14 (1/2-Mile)—1. Hui Nalu 3:56.1; 2. Hui Lanakila 4:05.6; 3. Leeward Kai 4:07.4; 4. Lanikai 4:12.8; 5. Hawaiian Warriors 4:17.4.
- Girls 15 (1/2-Mile)—1. Kailua 4:45.2; 2. Hui Nalu 4:48.4; 3. Lanikai 4:52.2; 4. Walkiki Surf 4:56.0; 5. Makena 5:02.2.
- Boys 15 (1/2-Mile)—1. Kailua 8:00.2; 2. Hui Nalu 8:02.3; 3. Walkiki Surf 8:25.4; 4. Lanikai 8:26.2.
- Men's Novice A (1/2-Mile)—1. Makena 8:25.4; 2. Hui Nalu 8:25.3; 3. Outrigger 8:25.4; 4. Koolau 8:25.3; 5. Kailua 8:25.3.
- Men (1 Mile)—1. Hui Nalu 13:12.3; 2. Hui Lanakila 13:17.8; 3. Outrigger 13:17.8; 4. Lanikai 13:17.8; 5. Outrigger 13:17.8.