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## Kai Opua places third in State

WHT Contributing Writer

OAHU- Kai Opua proved to the outrigger paddling world that it was for real by taking fourth overall in the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association (HCRA) finals and third in the All-State confrontation with the rival Hui

Wa'a Canoe Racing Association. Hui Nalu led everyone, having to come from behind to nip Healani 55-50 in the HCRA finals held last Saturday in day in the All-State. Kaneohe Bay on Oahu. Outrigger took third with 37 with Kai Opua totalling 26 for 4th and the club's best finish ever

in the state-class competition. On Sunday it was once again Hui Nalu swamping all comers by rolling-up 38 markers to Outrigger's 22 and Kai Opua's 20 points in the All-State regatta.

Leading Kai Opua's impressive showing were back-toback wins by the freshmen women and sophmore women in the two-day canoe fest.

Kae Nakisa, Nancy Patterson, Shelley Ke, Pat Shaughnessy, Pua Fowler, and Rhonda Damery finished their nine-regatta season undefeated in all the freshmen

women races they entered.

K-O's sophmore women also concluded their season as undefeated state chamnps. Rose Murray, Linda Brown, Susie Shaw, Terri Ako, Kathy Waggoner, and Debbie Mogel crewed their victorious canoe.

K-Opua's boy's 12B, in the first race of the two-day meet, scored a second, Rodney Acia, Jason Alapai, Roland Kim, Harold Akiona, Carl White and Richardson Smith Jr. then came back for a third place the following

Kai Opua's girls' seventeens featuring Jackie Akau, Roberta Bates, Wattie Green, Jolyne Kanuha, Kerisa Pagaduan, and Kaui Pelekane hit the tape for a bronze medal in the HCRA finals. The girls took fifth in the All-

Perhaps the most surprising Kai-O effort was the boys' 18 showing. They were the only K-O crew that did not win a single race during the Moku O'Hawaii season losing repeatedly to Kawaihae's crack 18's.

The young 18's put their season in proper perspective



THIRD PLACE—Kona's Kai Opua outrigger canoe team members cheer and applaud when they hear the overall results of the All-State canoe championships held at Kaneohe Bay on Oahu last weekend. The Kai Opuans finished in third place overall. -WHT photo by Noel Black

### ...Kai Opua

when Soffie Salinas, Rory Kam, Clifford Medeiros, Andrew Lincoln, Keith Tatro, and Kina Kanuha slid in for

a third in the HCRA finals and then pumped home to a second in the All-State finals. The All-State second place effort also puts the Kona lads, along with the winning Outrigger 18's, a trip to Hong

Kong to race in their traditional Harbor races next Kai Opua's senior crews also raised eyebrows with their strong showing. Devlyn Akau, Pocho Youderian,

Caroline Smith, Margie Amogius, Monica Pelekane and Shelley Ke provided the power to take third in the HCRA two-day competitions.

thick of the battle as Outrigger had to overcome an early official disallowed this the following morning. Kai Opua three canoe-length by the mile flag and to take top honors away from Warren Akao, Stan Dzura, Jerome held an impromptu meeting and reversed their earlier Kanuha, Leo Santimer, Ed Schoeppner, and Clement Kanuha Jr. K-O took second in the HCRA finals.

Next day's senior action again saw Kai-O give up an early lead this time to Hui Nalu. Hui Nalu devestated the Thursday evening. field to win the gold followed distantly by Outrigger and

There were fine showings made by other big Island will start Saturday from Kawaihae Harbor, wind 13 miles clubs. Keoua's novice B men broke the finish line for a up to Mahukona and back. Nine paddlers per entry will be third place in the HCRA finals. This crew included Ivan allowed with each club allowed no more than one koa and Kaupiko, Tim Wood, Derek Young, Dave Elliot, Lance one Pacheco, and Dave Hood.

novice combination of Charles Cope, Jerry Fukutomi, effect. Wallace Jennings, Bill and Elvin Kamoku, and Steve Zoll placed fourth in the HCRA finals and came up with a silver medal in the All-State.

took fourth at the HCRA finals but came back to nail third place and the bronze in the All-State.

Recent Hawaiian outrigger canoe championships have been fraught with controversy and Saturday's HCRA finals proved not to be an exception. The inside lanes generally and specifically the first three provided most of the days winners. Race director Mel Kalahiki directed an early lunch for remeasurement. The lanes in question were found to be within acceptable limits leaving the only possible answer being the currents and generally heavier weather conditions prevalent in the outside lanes as being

the culprit for the poorer performances. The course was altered for the following day's All-State regatta to eliminate the first three lanes.

Kai Opua's canoe the "Mahoe" also centered a storm as the Oahu Outrigger Canoe Racing Association (OOCRA) finals and move up to second in the All-State. Ke was decided to boycott the Liliuokalani Day races set for early moved up from her fresh crew to complete the senior six- September for a 2nd year if Kai-O did not set-up an open pak and hauled home four medals for her efforts in the race for canoes that did not meet HCRA specifications.sThe open class would be for all those boats that did not The men's seniors race found K-Os old-men also in the meet with the HCRA specifications. A Moku O' Hawaii

> After the conclusion of the All-State OOCRA coaches decision by a 6-3 vote in favor of attending. At last report this vote has been voided by the governing group of OOCRA as being illegal and a new vote will be taken this

> Outrigger action will continue on two fronts this coming weekend with two-26 mile races 3000 miles apart. Locally the 8th annual men's Richard Smart Long distance Race fiberglass canoe

On Sunday the wahines will have a 12-mile test starting Kamehameha got superlative performances from two at Kawaihae Harbor up the Kohala coastline to Black of its crews — the Men's Novice A and Freshmen. The Point and return with the same race rules as the men in

Kai Opua will be sending a nine-man crew to compete in the 26-mile Catalina Island to Balboa Bay canoe race, the oldest long-distance canoe race outside Hawaii's Molokai The freshmen crew of Ed Atkins, Steve Blyth, Derek Channel test. The ordeal sets out from picturesque Avalon Lee, Robin Mehau, Brian Peterson, and Ben Kaili also Bay Sunday morning and will conclude at the prestigeous

Balboa Bay Club in Newport Harbor. Healani of Oahu will compete in the womens class. Paddlers will be used for the cross-channel voyage. The top three places will take home \$6000 in prize moeny.

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### Kai Opua, Kamehameha score in state regattas

Last weekend marked the end of 1980 regatta action for Big Island canoe clubs as they competed in the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association Championship Saturday and the All-State Championship Sunday at Kaneohe Bay on Oahu.

Five clubs from the Big Isle-Kai Opua Kamehameha, Keoua, Liliuokalani, and Wailani-made the trip and fought the powerful clubs from Honolulu in the two days of competition. Only the Moku O Hawaii champion Kai Opua and Kamehameha could place crews high enough in the HCRA meet, where the top four finishers earn the right to move on to the All-State finals.

This meant that each of the Big Island clubs participated in the HCRA action and Kai Opua led the parade of finishers, entering 25 of 27 events and coming up with two blue ribbons, three second places, two thirds, and one fourth. As a team, Kai Opua ended the day in fourth place with a total of 26 points, behind awesome Hui Nalu, Healani, and Outrigger, who tallied 55, 52 and 37, respectively.

Kamehameha had two crews, the men's novice A and the men's frosh, who placed high in the HCRA with a second and third place finish. These two crews also went onto the All-State finals to capture the same two ribbons for the Hilo-based club.

Members of the men's novice A crew were, Chuck Cope, Wallace Jennings, Bill and Elvin Kamoku, Steve Zoll and Jerry Fukutomi. And members of the third place men's frosh crew were, Robin Mehau, Derek Lee, Ed Atkins, Brian Peterson,

Steve Blyth, and Ben Kaili. In the All-State competition, which Hui Nalu won with 38 team points, Kai Opua finished third behind Outrigger with 20. The Kailua-Kona club's women's frosh and soph crews captured first place ribbons in

impressive fashion. Members of the women's frosh crew were, Kae Nakisa, Pua Fowler, Rhonda Damery, Shelly Ke, Nancy Patterson and Patricia Shaughnessy. Members of the women's soph crew were Terri Ako, Linda Brown, Debbie Mogel, Rose Murray,

Susan Shaw and Kathy Waggoner. Kai Opua also placed in the Boys 12-B, Boys 18-Under, Women's Senior and Men's Senior events

Members of the Boys 12-B third place crew were Rodney Acia, Jason Alapai, Wesley Alapai, Morris Graciidis, Carl White and Richard Smith Jr.

Members of the Boys 18-Under crew were, Roray Kam, Andrew Lincoln, Clifford Medeiros, Keith Tatro, Josef Salinas and Zachary Kanuha. These paddlers finished in second place in the state meet and third in the HCRA competition.

Members of the women's senior crew, which took runnerup honors, were Develyn Akau, Margie Amoguis, Shelly Ke, Caroline Smith, Lovena Youderian and Monica Pelekane.

Members of the men's senior crew, which was second in the HCRA and third in the state were Warren Akau, Stan Dzura, Jerome Kanuha, Leo Santimer, Eddie Schoeppner and Junior Kanuha.

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## Application taken for 'swim'

Applications are being accepted until Friday for the Department of Parks and Recreation's 11th annual Waikiki Roughwater Swim.

Application forms for the swim, to be held Sept. 1, are available at city pools, satellite city halls, the Honolulu Municipal Building or by writing to Waikiki Roughwater Swim Coordinator, Department of Parks and Recreation, 650 S. King St. The 3.8-kilometer swim is from Sans Souci

Beach to the beach 30 yards up from the Hilton nawallan village. Starting time is 11:30 a.m. The parks department also has announced that the Lanikila Playground's gym complex will be closed Aug. 18-22 for painting and stage light in-

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**Canoe Racing** State Championships

At Kansohe Bay
Final Standings: 1. Hui Natu 38
points: 2. Outriguer 22: 3. Kai Opus 20. 4.
Healani 18. 5. Hanalei 16. 6. Kaneohe 13.
7. Hawaiian Warriors 9: 8. (fie) Kallus.
Koolau, Walkiki Surf 8. 11. (fie)
Kamehameha (Oahu), Kamehameha
(Hilo), Makaha 5. 14. Kihei 4. 15. (fie)
Na Keiki O Ka, Hana, Na Kai Ewalu 3.
18. (fie) Lauho'e, Hui Lanakila, Kahana, Laeward Kai 2. 22. (fie) Koa Kai,
Loa'a, Lokahi, Wajkiki Beach Boys,
Molokai 1.

Boys 12 A (¼-mile)—1. Hanalei (Kauai) Canoe Club (Steve Burrell. Earl Spencer, Grep Nita, Paul Enriques, Koola Sheehan, Hobey Beck) 2:12.6. 2. Kaneohe 2:14.3. 3. Kai Opua (Hawaii) 2:14.7.
Boys 13 (¼-mile)—1. Waikiki Surf Club (Kalama Heina, David Kalai, Robby Bowers, Rayton Kahalepauole, Chuok Spencer, Adam Kaio) 2:08.3. 2. Na Keiki 2:09.2. 3. Healani 2:09.8.
Girls 15 (¼-mile)—1. Hanalei (Rachel Chandler, Kainoa Chandler, Mia Burns, Sherri Burns, Holly Wernli, Wailana Kaipaka) 2:16.8. 2. Lanikai 2:19.7. 3. 2:23.1.

Nomes Novice B (1/4-mile)-1. Koolau (Andrea Himmah, Julie Lopez, Linda Schiessel, Cheryl Bing, Kathy AcGovern, Bernie Archer) 2:16.7. 2. Lanikai 2:19.0. 3. Healani 2:21.3.

Boys 14 (Va-mile)—1. Heeleni (Robby Johnson, Gene Castagnetti, Nick Hironeka, Traoy Leland, Robert Farlas, 2:06.8. 2:06.8.
Girls 17 (¼-mile)—1. Kaneohe (Emma Hewett, Miki Jones, Malia Nakoa, Karen Gumadac, Alison Natual, DeeDee Ahakuelo) 2:20.3. 2. Outrigger 2:23.4.

Women Nevice A (%-mile)—1. Ha-walian Warriors (Mary Clare, Patty Kim, Mary Firth, Linda Harrington, Dorls Olivera, Merlynette Castro) 2:238. 2. Kanoche 2:24.8. 3. Hui Nalu 2:25.1.

2:25.1.

Men Novice B (Y2-mile)—1.

Kamehameha (Grant Akana, Phillip
Howe, Keith Kaya, Bert Lum, Adrian
Sabos, Richard Takahashi) 4:79, 2.

Hul Natu 4:13.6, 3. Leeward Kal 4:15.6.
Bays 16 (Yy-mile)—1. Hul Natu (Kevin
Olds, Kurt Tamashiro, Brenton Block,
Pat Carrier, Vincent Olds, Isaac Raphael) 4:00.7, 2. Healani 4:10.7, 3. Kahena
4:17.6.

4:17.6.

Men's Navice A (Yz-mHe) — 1. Hui Malu (David Dinoman, Marshall Fergerstrom, Dan Mahoney, Larry Rinaldis, Ted Coons) 4:02.8.2. Kamehameha (Hilo) 4:07.6.3. Lauho'e 4:10.1.

Boys 18 (1-mHe) — 1. Outrigger (David Ayau, Lance Cross, John Kolivas, Waipa Parker, Bruce Ayau, Bill Eggers) 7:57.4.2. Kai Opua 8:02.3.3. Hui Naiu 8:08.6.

Women Freelman (W-mHe) — 1. Kai.

Eggers) 7:57.4. 2. Kal Opus 8:02.3. 3. Hui Nalia Sid 6. Women Freshman (Y-mile)—1. Kal Opus (Ke. Nakisa. Nancy Patterson. Sheliy Ke, Patricis Sheughnessy, Pus Fowler, Rhonda Damery) 4:32.6. 2. Healani 4:41.9. 3. Kailus 4:42.8. Man Freshman (1-mile)—1. Outriguer (Gib Bintilff, Bill Foyrich, Walter Guild, Marc Haine, Kerl Heyer, Keone Downing) 7:39.1. 2. Hui Nalu 7:42.2. 3. Kamehemeha (Hilo) 7:49.6; Women Sophomerer (Y-sewile)—1. Kal Opus (Rose Murray, Linda Brown, Susie Shaw, Terri Ako, Kathy Wassoner, Debble Mogel) 4:41.7. 2. Hawailan Warriors 4:45.6.3. Kailus 4:49.3. Men Sophomerer (14:-mile)—1. Maka-Mariors 4:45.6.3. Kailus 4:49.3. Men Sophomerer (14:-mile)—1. Maka-Mariors 4:45.6.3. Kailus 4:49.3. Men Sophomerer (Y-mile)—1. Hui Netu (Mary Franco, Trish Gallagher, Malia Scully, Lindsey Shyan, Ruth Fukunaga, Denisso Darval) 4:30.4.2. Kihel 4:41.2.3. Kailus 4:42.6.

Men Junior (2-mile)—1. Hansiel (Rey Burrell, Togo Hermosora, Peter Corn-well, Don Montsomery, Gaylord Wilcox, Nick Beck), 16:03.9. 2. Kooleu 16:14.1. 3. Hui Nalu 16:15.7. Hui Natu 16:15.7
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HCRA-HUI WA'A ALL-STATE REGATTA
At Kaneohe Bay
MEN

Senior — 1, Hui Naiu / Joe Spielman. Bruce
Blankenfeld, Georg Kissner, Kala Kukea, Myron
Thompson, Brant Ackerman) 19:45.4, 2, Oufrigger 20:19:4, 3, Kai Opua 20:33.3, 4, Kihei 20:45.3,
Junior — 1, Hanalei (Roy Burrell, Toso Hermosora, Peter Cornwall, Don Montgomery, Gaylord
Wilcox, Nick Beck) 16:30.9, 2, Koolau 16:14.1, 3,
Hui Naiu 16:15.7, 4, Outriguer 16:15.9, Sephamere
— 1, Makaha (Meyfin PUD, Sam Alama, Bruce
DeSoto, Pat Boyce, Ronald DeSoto, Hershey
Daose) 11:47.9, 2, Outriguer 11:50.2, 3, Hui Lanakila 12:25.8, 4, Koa Kai 12:39.5, Freshman — 1,
Outriguer (Gib Bintliff, Bill Foytich, Walter
Guild, Marc Haine, Karl Heyer, Keone Downing)
7:39.1, 2, Hui Naiu 7:42.2, 3, Kamehameha-Hawaii 7:48.4, 4, Lokahi 7:53.6, 18-under — 1, Outrigger (David Ayau, Lance Cross, John Kolivas,
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Miranda, Larry Rinaldis, Ted Coons) 4:02.8, 2,
Kamehameha-Hawaii 4:07.6, 3, Lauho'e 4:10.1, 4,
Lanikai 4:124, 16-under — 1, Hui Naiu (Kevin
Olds, Kurt Tamashiro, Brenton Block, Pat Carrie,
Vincent Olds, Isaac Raphael) 4:00.7, 2, Healani 4:10.1, 3, Kahana
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Howe, Keith Kaya, Bert Lum, Adrian Sabog,
Richard Takahashi) 4:07.9, 2, Hui Naiu (Hais, 6, 3),
Leeward Kai 4:15.6, 4, Lanikai 4:16.5, 14-under —
1, Healani (Robby) Johnson, Gene Castagnette,
Nick Hronaka, Track Leland, Robert Farias,
Robert Nakama) 2:03.8, 2, Hana; 2:06.9, 3, Kailua
2:06.8, 4, Kaneohe 2:07, 6, 13-under — 1, Waikki
Surf (Kalama Heina, David Kalai, Robby)
Bowers, Rayton Kahalepauole, Chuck Spencer, Naladi Gibeon, Christi Gibeon, Anos Schresker,
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Local paddleboard Accord Annual Contest
Alburipper Canee Club
Men: 1. Breth Goodriend (1:17:35, 1st overall); 2.
Grady Howe (1:18:10); 3. Pat Coldwell (1:23:03).
Boys: 1. John Scully (1:22:1), 3rd overall); 2. Matt
Kresser (1:39:32); 3. Jeff Dolan (1:33:05). Wemen: 1.
Kisi Haines (1:53:21, course record); 2. Robin Smith
(2:02:30). SECOND ANNUAL CONTEST

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MAUI NEWS

Maui Hawaiian canoe clubs participating in the state meets over the weekend came away with a lot of fun but not much for the record books as Oahu clubs continued their dominance over the state races.

Hui Nalu, expected to finish second to the Outrigger Canoe Club, won both the state and all-state titles na with two points

Saturday and Sunday at the Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station. Kihei won the state championship in division "A", but finished tenth overall in the competition Saturday.

Sunday, Kihei placed 16th in team scoring with four points, followed by Na Kai Ewalu with three and Kaha-

Kihei's senior men's crew placed fourth in the all-state meet and in the 16 and under Kahana placed third. In the 14 and under, Hana placed second with their men's crew. For the Maui women, Kihei's junior crew placed second to Hui Nalu in a time of 4:41 and the 17 and under Na Kai Ewa placed second with 2:21.4.

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#### Kaneohe Majors Lose

SACRAMENTO, Calif.-Kaneohe, Hawaii's representative in the Little League Western Regional Senior Majors double elimination tournament, suffered its first defeat yesterday, losing to Las Vegas, 4-

Pono Maa had three hits, including a double, in the losing effort.

Chang, Murata Trail

LAUDERHILL, Fla.—Ralden Chang and Mitchell Murata were four and five strokes off the pace, respectively, after the first round of the American Junior Golf Association's Tournament of Champions at the Inverrary Country Club yes-Chang's 36-37-73 left him in a tie for

fifth with four others, while Murata's 34-40-74 had him tied for 10th with eight

First-round leader Mark Thaxton of Burlington, N.C., shot a two-under-par 69.
Lei Kaniaupio, meanwhile, was six
Tacub-Kevin Chee, 6-3, 6-2.

### Isle File

strokes back in the girls' division. Jody Rosenthal, of Edina, Minn., and Jenny Lidback, of Baton Rouge, La., shot 73s to share the first-round lead.

Lori's Match Rained Out HUTCHINSON, Kan.—Lori Castillo's second-round match in the U.S. Women's

Amateur Golf Championship yesterday was rained out and rescheduled for

Repeat in Night Doubles

The First Federal Men's Night Doubles championship tomorrow night will be a replay of last year's title tussle. Last night the No. 2-seeded team of Dave An-drews and Bill Bartlett defeated the No. l-seeded tandem of Bruce and Tom Nagel, 7-6, 4-6, 6-1, to set up a meeting with the top-seeded duo of Peter Isaak

and Kendall Char, winners over Howard

#### Kaneohe Boxers Split

COLUMBUS, Ohio-The Kaneohe Boxing Club won one and lost one yesterday at the opening day of the Ohio State Fair. Kaneohe's David Pihana won a unanimous decision over Brian Born of Buffalo, N.Y., but Mike Pedro lost a split decision to Rodney Ellison of Columbus Two other Kaneohe boxers-Bully Matteo and Jesse Ferguson-have bouts tonight. Matteo meets Ronald Jefferson of Detroit and Ferguson faces Richard Hig-

gins of Dayton, Ohio.

**Nutty Festival Starts** The third annual Honokaa Macadamia Nut Festival, featuring a golf tournament

that uses a latex covered macadamia nut instead of a golf ball, opens tonight on the Big Island.

Paddle Board Race A 10,000-meter paddle board race, spon-

sored by Outrigger Canoe Club, will be held tomorrow at 11 a.m., at the OCC Competition will be held in four divisions: men, women, boys (18-and-under) and girls (18-and-under).

# Hui Nalu gets it all together, captures overall state crown

By Andy Yamaguchi Advertiser Sports Writer

Lanakila Spencer, an attractive women in her late 30s, was divorced five years ago. She had 10 children. She then joined the Hui Nalu Canoe Club.

"They said it was a family club, and I said, 'Good, I get plenty kids," she said. It was fitting, then, that yesterday

Spencer stroked the winningest canoe in the winningest season in the club's history. Under gorgeous skies at Kaneohe Bay, Hui Nalu won the all-state championship to become the biggest and most successful "fam-a-lee" since the Pittsburgh Pi-

Hui Nalu rolled up 38 points to win its first combined title of the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association and the Hui Wa'a & Surfing Association. It completed the hat trick, the first two parts being the Oahu HCRA title and the HCRA state crown.

Defending champion Outrigger, though entered in just nine of the 19 events, finished its regatta season strongly with 22 points and second place. Big Island champion Kai Opua edged Healani 20-18 for third place. Maui titlist Hanalei was fifth with 16 points and Hui Wa'a cham-

pion Kaneohe was sixth with 13.

Spencer and her crewmates -Nalani Spencer, Christie Gibson, Ann Schumaker, Carol Kukea and Lita Blankenfeld - capped an undefeated season by whipping Kai Opua and Outrigger in the senior women's race. They were Hui Nalu's only un-

beaten crew.

Lanakila took up paddling after her divorce "to sort of take out the frustrations," she said, swigging a post-race bottle of very warm cold duck. Now four of her daughters also paddle for Hui Nalu, and the boys aren't far behind.

"What makes it so great is that it's a good club," she said. "There's a real family feeling." Head coach Kala Kukea was as proud of that as he was of his club's

"I knew we'd be back," he said. "The club is getting stronger. Introduce kids to the sport, get them to love paddling, that's the way the sport's going to grow. We've got a lot of families now. That's what makes us a good club. Strong in

spirit, strong all the way around." The regatta was a test between HCRA's traditional koa canoes and Hui Wa'a's fiberglass vessels. "Hoo, fiberglass taking a licking," said Kaneohe coach Roy Anderson.

of his crews raced in the Manuiwa, a borrowed koa, and "what points I got came from the koa," Anderson

"There's a lot of difference," he said. "Koa lifts better on the start and goes, plus it turns faster." Lanikai of the HCRA, on the other hand, benched its koa to race in fiberglass.

The difference is all in the mind. said HCRA past president Chris Faria. "I'll pay money if you can show me the difference," he said. Because the Kailua-side lanes were suspiciously fast Saturday, they were eliminated from the

er," said Lanikai coach Allen Wood-After the regatta HCRA coaches reversed a previous decision and voted to participate in the Queen Liliuokalani distance race, Sept. 1 in

Hui Nalu got five first places to compile its points. It won three men's events - sen-

two women's events - senior and See Results in For the Record



A cluster of canoes and able-bodied paddlers churns through the water at the start of the men's novice A race yesterday.