

As you all know, the Walter J. MacFarland Regatta is sponsored by OCC, and as the sponsoring club, due to the high surf conditions, OCC, with the approval of the OHCRCA officials, opted to allow any club which so desired to use fiberglass canoes instead of taking a chance on destroying any of the irreplaceable Koa canoes.

Waikiki Surf Club, the only club that opted to use its Koa Canoe, had to withdraw in the later stages of the regatta, when the canoe was split as it swamped on a wave.

Unfortunately for OCC, Hui Nalu's crews had most of the fun. Hui Nalu won the regatta with 86 points to 62 for OCC's second place finish. OCC's winning crews were: Boys 13 Under, Girls 15 Under, Women 17 Under, Men 18 Under Freshmen Men, Sophomore Men, Junior Men, Women's Masters.

If you only had the results of the first 5 regattas to go by, it would appear that OCC is on the ropes and that Hui Nalu has received a shipment of strength and is approaching invincibility.

This was evident at the Makaha Regatta where Hui Nalu outpaced OCC by only one point under good water conditions, and finally in the Oahu Championships where Hui Nalu assembled their best effort by blitzing all Clubs by scoring over 90 points and holding OCC to Second Place.

At this point Coach Guild has seen everything go wrong that could go wrong and is currently mounting a tremendous offensive effort to bring home the State Championships to OCC.

—Jim Petersen