

Outrigger dominates Macfarlane again

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Yesterday's 49th annual Walter J. Macfarlane Canoe Regatta off sun-splashed Waikiki Beach was billed as a big-wave competition pitting paddlers' skills against the huge breaking surf.

But that matchup didn't materialize on this Fourth of July. Few good surfing waves were to be found on an unusually placid Malama Bay.

"Hard paddling, both out and back. No big waves to ride today," Outrigger Canoe Club steersman Tom Conner said.

"Flat water or big surf, we'll take the win. This is the regatta we point to from the beginning (of the season)," Outrigger coach Tom McTigue added.

Winning 15 of the regatta's 30 events, Outrigger topped the five AA division (16 crews or more) clubs with points to spare.

The six-time defending state champ, leading the regatta from start to finish, amassed a whopping 99 points in winning its 15th Macfarlane meet in 17 years.

Kailua placed second with 49 points, followed by Lanikai with 48. Hui Lanakila topped the seven A division (15 crews or less) clubs with 19 points. Kai Oni was second with 14 points and Waimanalo third with 13 points.

The once-tied (by Kailua at Nanakuli last month) Outrigger remains unbeaten in Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association competition over two seasons.

Outrigger was more than ready to win its own regatta, the fifth

meet of the seven-race OHCRA season.

"The Macfarlane is steeped in tradition. Our paddlers know this. They rose to the occasion," McTigue said.

Some say OCC takes the Macfarlane race more seriously than it does the state championship.

"We begin the regatta day with a crew breakfast. We explain to our paddlers about the tradition and what the Macfarlane race means to Outrigger," McTigue said.

Walter J. Macfarlane was Outrigger Canoe Club's president during its critical building years prior to World War II.

"He was instrumental in perpetuating all Hawaiian water sports, including paddling. He helped bring them to the level they are today," Macfarlane's grandson, Walter Guild, said.

Guild paddled in OCC's winning senior men's canoe as the club swept the senior, sophomore, open 4 and 18s events in the men's and women's divisions.

"Placing first in the senior men's race, with all its history, is almost as important as winning the regatta itself," said Outrigger steersman Todd Bradley. Lanikai came in second, followed by Hui Nalu.

Remarked Coach Beanie Heen of Kailua Canoe Club: "No one was going to beat Outrigger at their own regatta today. Winning here is their focus."

Heen used the Macfarlane race as a training session for more important races to come.

"I'm not making excuses. I would love to have won this regat-

ta. But I also wanted to give all my paddlers — regardless of experience — an opportunity to race."

Kailua qualified for all 30 events, while Outrigger and Healani had 28 crews and Lanikai 23. With only seven lanes for racing at Waikiki — instead of 14 used in other regattas — crews must qualify by placing high in the regattas leading up to July 4.

After 13 races, Outrigger led second place Lanikai 29-24. Through 25 events, Outrigger's lead soared to 81-47.

"We're not disappointed. Our club morale is higher than it ever has been," said Lanikai coach Bobby Puakea.

Lanikai clung to second place until the last two events when Kailua scored five points for its women's masters win and one point for fourth place in men's masters.

"Outrigger provides inspiration," said Puakea. "Our paddlers want to beat the best, if not on club points then with individual crew wins." Lanikai won three races, the men's freshman and junior and girls' 13s.

After five OHCRA races, Outrigger's girls' 16s, boys' 18s, sophomore men and senior women remain unbeaten. Healani's boys' 13s and 16s are also undefeated.

OHCRA racing resumes July 14 with the John Kaupiko Regatta, followed one week later by the Oahu Championships. Both events start at the Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station at 8:30 a.m..

The state championship is scheduled for Aug. 3 at Hilo Bay.

PADDLING

Macfarlane Regatta

At Waikiki Beach

Team standings

AA division: 1. Outrigger 99 points. 2. Kailua 49. 3. Lanikai 48. 4. Healani 37. 5. Hui Nalu 32.

A division: 1. Hui Lanakila 19. Kai Oni 14. Waimanalo 13. Waikiki Surf Club 8. Anuenue 7. Leeward Kai 3. Honolulu 1.

Boys

12—(1/4-mile): 1. Hui Nalu (Patrick Tamaoka, Naia Blankenfeld, Kimmo Zachariah, Ikaika Nurre, Maika Scott, Kala Kukea) 1:48. 2. Outrigger 1:49. 3. Lanikai: 2:05.

13—(1/4-mile): 1. Healani (Fred Sacatropez, Elliot Aki, Kamehalani Ortiz, Kahoku Tibayan, Bronson Chang, Gary Murakami) 1:46. 2. Lanikai 1:50. 3. Outrigger 1:58.

14—(1/4-mile): 1. Kailua (Matt Powell, Jeremy Hunter, Jarred Dean, M'rac Hodges, Kolaiah Jardine, Kamoa Kalama) 1:47.10. 2. Hui Nalu 1:47.69. 3. Waimanalo 1:47.91.

16—(1/2-mile): 1. Healani (Craig Souza, Kai Ah Sam, Charles Kalama, Nelson Sai, Barry Quilloo, Keali Pa'aina) 3:59. 2. Waimanalo 4:03. 3. Hui Lanakila 4:04.

18—(1-mile): 1. Outrigger (Daniel Knoke, Matt Corboy, Ikaika Kincaid, John Everest, Sage Spalding, Water Guild) 7:42. 2. Kailua 8:10. 3. Healani 8:35.

Girls

12—(1/4-mile): 1. Outrigger (Paahana Kincaid, Stacy Stapleton, Tiare Larsen, Moani Brown, Ellen Sanders, Walter Guild) 1:55. 2. Kailua 2:04. 3. Waimanalo 2:10.

13—(1/4-mile): 1. Lanikai (Kimberly Tice, Carrie Ching, Briana Grouhous, Marlowe Penfold, Allison Miller, John Foti) 1:47. 2. Kailua 2:00. 3. Healani 2:04.

14—(1/4-mile): 1. Waimanalo (Jennifer Chun, Amelie Consales, Noalani Kahue, Carrisa Manoa, Desiree Leong, Rachael Espinda) 1:50. 2. Outrigger 1:52. 3. Hui Nalu 2:01.

16—(1/2-mile): 1. Outrigger (Cassie Roth, Monique

Lee, Katie Marceau, Kelsey Muller, Mary Hind, Billy Balding) 3:54. 2. Lanikai 4:25. 3. Hui Nalu 4:28.

18—(1/2-mile): 1. Outrigger (Nalani Hunt, Julie Cundali, Kristin Ingersoll, Becky Sharp, Todd Bradley), 3:56. 2. Hui Nalu 4:10. 3. Lanikai 4:24.

Men

Novice B—(1/2-mile): 1. Hui Lanakila (Kawai Yamamoto, Kai Thielk, Brian Javonillo, Mike Pakele, Dominic Amantiad, Sherwood Nakamura) 3:39. 2. Lanikai 3:45. 3. Kailua 3:47.

Novice A—(1-mile): 1. Outrigger (John Akana, Matt Rigg, David Potter, Robert Harrison, Hargen Holland, Rodman Muller) 7:19.06. 2. Waikiki 7:19.63. 3. Anuenue 7:39.

Freshmen—(1-mile): 1. Lanikai (Kevin Chapman, Bobby Nottage, Hans Hanson, Cory Mehau, George Davis, Scott Freitas) 7:19. 2. Anuenue 7:24. 3. Outrigger 7:27.

Sophomore—(1 1/2-mile): 1. Outrigger (Mark Sandvold, Tom McTigue, Kala Judd, Todd Payes, Karl Heyer, Tom Conner) 11:20. 2. Lanikai 11:54. 3. Hui Lanakila 12:11.

Junior—(1 1/2-mile): 1. Lanikai (Jay Davies, Vince Olds, Paul Graham, Alan Lipp, Kalani Young, Denis Yap) 11:57. 2. Kailua 11:58. 3. Outrigger 12:04.

Senior—(2-mile): 1. Outrigger (Kainoa Downing, Chris Kincaid, Bruce Black, Walter Guild, Courtney Seto, Todd Bradley) 14:59. 2. Lanikai 15:10. 3. Hui Nalu 15:24.

Masters—(1-mile): 1. Outrigger (Mike Clifford, Bill Bright, Bill Danford, John Finney, Mark Buck, Brant Ackerman) 7:29. 2. Hui Lanakila 7:41. 3. Hui Nalu 7:45.

Senior masters—(1/2-mile): 1. Kailua (Howard Keller, Charlie Kama, Bob Bruce, Bob Moncrief, John Goody, Dodd Balock) 3:43. 2. Outrigger 3:48. 3. Anuenue 3:52.

Open 4—(1/2-mile): 1. Outrigger (Chris Kincaid, Todd Sandvold, Grady Bintliff, Billy Balding) 3:49. 2. Hui Lanakila 3:57. 3. Kailua 4:05.

Women

Novice B—(1/4-mile): 1. Kai Oni (Kim Alden, Blair Mulleady, Maile Howes, Mecheale Muhammad, Beth Pisculli, David Kalama) 1:50.

Novice A—(1/2-mile): 1. Hui Nalu (Liz Hawkins, Luane Naumu, Sylvia Medelin, Catherine Fuller, Drew Criss, Kala Kukea) 4:16. 2. Lanikai 4:20.74. 3. Kai Oni 4:20.93.

Freshmen—(1-mile): 1. Outrigger (Nicole Wilcox, Cynthia Sheehan, Pam Clifford, Jennifer Thayer, Missy Mowat, Todd Bradley) 8:08. 2. Healani 8:41.30. 3. Hui Lanakila 8:41.90.

Sophomore—(1-mile): 1. Outrigger (Mary Smolenski, Cathy Ho, Kisi Haine, Kalli Chun, Katie McCrory, Todd Bradley) 8:02. 2. Healani 8:14. 3. Lanikai 8:43.

Junior—(1-mile): 1. Outrigger (Shawn Moynahan, Tiare Kinney, Linda Peacock, Sara Ackerman, Terri Pynchon, Billy Balding) 8:32. 2. Lanikai 9:09. 3. Healani 9:17.

Senior—(1 1/2-mile): 1. Outrigger (Mary Smolenski, Cathy Ho, Kalli Chun, Kisi Haine, Lesline Conner, Tom Conner) 12:48. 2. Kailua 12:58. 3. Healani 13:14.

Masters—(1-mile): 1. Kailua (Donna Meyer, Kathy Erwin, Crystal Hogue, Nancy Perry, Kathi Javellana, Kamoa Kalama) 8:54. 2. Outrigger 9:10. 3. Healani 9:18.

Senior masters—(1/2-mile): 1. Outrigger (Diane Stowell, Gerni Pedesky, Peggy Danford, Ruby Iverson, Keanuene Rochlan, Brant Ackerman) 4:18. 2. Healani 4:25. 3. Kailua 4:21.

Open 4—(1/2-mile): 1. Outrigger (Pam Zak, Kaiulu Downing, Lisa Livingston, Walter Guild) 4:14. 2. Kailua 4:19. 3. Waikiki 4:23.

Mixed

12—(1/4-mile): 1. Healani (Nicholas Callejo, Shawn Kalima, Cory Smith, Erica Sacatropez, Jolyn Kaukani, Luana Froiseth) 2:08. 2. Outrigger 2:12. 3. Leeward Kai 2:17.

Men/Women—(1/2-mile): 1. Kai Oni (Laurie Matsuda, Kalani Hoopii, Cathy Rozonek, Ken Von Elsnor, Nohea Hoopii, Phil Carollo) 4:00. 2. Hui Nalu 4:01.09. 3. Kailua 4:01.38.

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Jutrigger Canoe Club's winning women's senior masters return to the beach yesterday.