

# Paddling Season Launched

OCC's first, and hopefully annual, paddler's sign-up party was held April 8th. It was a night for young and old and the air was full of excitement. Paddlers, boosters, friends and members arrived from all corners of the island to help celebrate the beginning of our yearly summer madness . . . the Regatta Season. The Club was bedecked, the buffet was a sumptuous feast and two bands contributed to the gaiety.

Head coach Brant Ackerman introduced and dedicated the 1983 canoe racing season to our very own Auntie Eva Pomroy. Paula Carbone and helpers manned the sign-up desk far into the evening with a record turn-out. The country-western band with a hot fiddle was an instant success and carried out the western theme. Jeff Kissell and his Canoe Racing Committee did a splendid job along with manager Ray Ludwig.



The paddlers registration desk did a brisk business.



Eva Pomroy was introduced by Brant Ackerman and Guy Harrison

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Head Coach Brant Ackerman, Canoe Committee Chairman Jeff Kissell, OHCRA Rep. and Masters Women Coach Joan Kaaua, and Canoe Committee Activities coordinator Bruce Ames.

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Young paddlers at the chicken-and-ribs buffet table.



Riki and Kim Roberts enjoy the feast.

## Coaches' Corner

*By Brant Ackerman, Head Coach*

I would like to thank each and everyone who turned out for the paddling kickoff party. Whether you came to register for the upcoming season or just to join in the fun, I want you to know your support of the paddling program is greatly appreciated. I feel that the stage has been set for a most successful and enjoyable season.

Speaking of which, I'd like to list the paddling schedule for this summer's regattas.

As you can see, we have an exciting schedule in the next few months. I would like to call special attention to our own Walter MacFarlane regatta on July 4th at Waikiki Beach. Let's focus on this one and bring home the GOLD!

DATE	REGATTA	PLACE	SPONSORING CLUB
Jun 12 Sun	King Kamehameha	Kailua Beach	Kailua C.C.
Jun 19 Sun	Kai Aina O Hawaii	Nanakuli Beach	Leeward Kai C.C. & Kukini C.C.
Jun 26 Sun	Pop Waialeale	Waimanalo Beach	Waimanalo C.C.
Jul 4 Mon	Walter MacFarlane	Waikiki Beach Moana Hotel	O.C.C.
Jul 17 Sun	John D. Kaupiko	Waikiki Beach Moana Hotel	Hui Nalu C.C.
Jul 24 Sun	Kalanimoku	Waimea Bay*	Hawaiian Warriors C.C.
Jul 31 Sun	Oahu Championship	Keehi Lagoon	O.H.C.R.A.
Aug 13 Sat	State Championship	Keehi Lagoon	H.C.R.A.

\*Double check for race site.

All regattas are scheduled to start at 8:30 a.m.