

# Paddlers Have Successful Start

All the hard work, sweat, sore muscles and sunburns, paid off as Outrigger paddlers won the first four regattas of the Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association 1985 season, going over the century mark in all four.

Club crews opened the season in the Kamehameha Regatta at Kailua Beach Park by scoring 102 points. The following week at the Leeward Regatta at Nanakuli Beach Park, OCC teams tallied 106 points. In week three, Outrigger won the Waimanalo Regatta with 108 points and on June 30 scored a season-high 116 points to win the Healani Regatta at Keehi Lagoon.

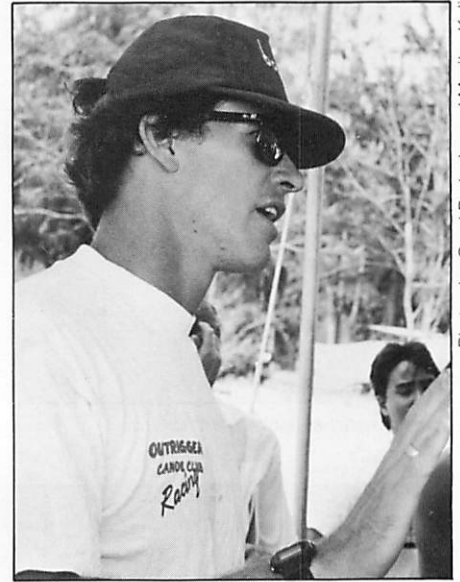
Ten of the Club's crews were undefeated in the first four races—the Boy's 14, 16 and 18's; Girl's 13, 14 and 18's; the Men's Novice B, Sophomore and Senior crews; and the Women's

Junior's.

Many more crews finished first or second in every race including the Women's Freshmen, Senior, Senior Masters, Novice A and B, and Open Four. For the men, first or second places were earned by the Novice A crew.

Coaches Henry Ayau and Walter Guild are extremely proud of all of the paddlers this year, especially the novice crews and new paddlers who have worked so hard and contributed so much to the winning effort.

Results of the John D. Kaupiko Regatta on July 14 at Kaneohe MCAS, the Oahu Championships on July 21 and the State Championships on Aug. 3 will be reported in the September Outrigger.



Coach Walter Guild goes over the surf conditions with paddlers before the race.

Photos by Gerri Pedesky and Marilyn Kail



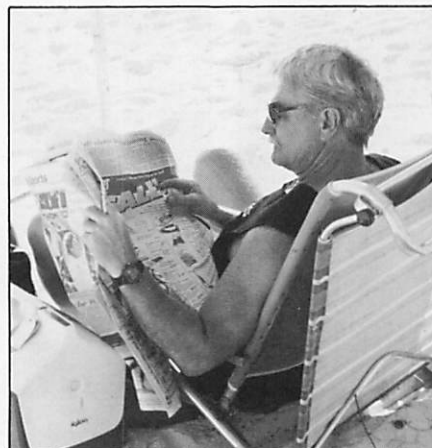
The Junior Women's crew has had a terrific season so far with four victories. From left, Norma Santiago, Jeanne Jenkins, Muffer Scully, Paula Carbone, Traci Phillips and Sandra Stanley.



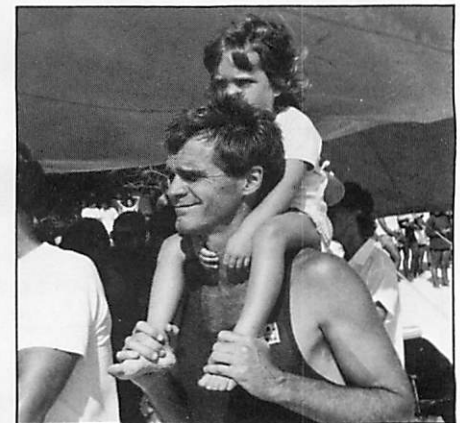
Undefeated in the first four regattas is the Girl's 18 crew. Paddling at the Waimanalo regatta were Mia Kresser, Shannon Boyd, Melissa Wheelless, Katie McCrary, Sara Ackerman and Kimmie Merrill. Starter Karl Heyer IV rides in after starting the race.



Shandy Danford and Tammy Pattison carry the Outrigger flag to the finish line to aid the next crew.



Hank Lass waits his turn and reads the Sunday newspaper.



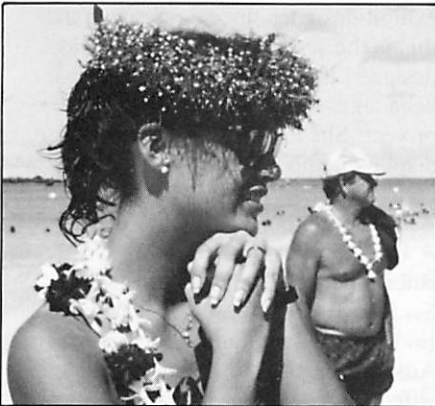
Novice paddler Mike Town brought daughter Mia, 3½, to the Waimanalo race.



Photographer Richard Wood caught the Senior Masters women with his fisheye lens. From left, Ululani Davis, Gerry DeBenedetti, Gerri Pedesky, Ruby Ifverson, Coach Di Guild, Diane Stowell, Keanuenue Rochlen and Marilyn Haine.



Coaches and parents of the Girl's 13 crew root the girls to victory at Keehi Lagoon.



Chrissy Benham waits for her race.



Mark Sandvold and Heidi Friese enjoy the regatta.



Steerswoman Barbie Baird is all smiles after winning her first gold medal.



Mike Sterling offers congratulations to teammates Cory Beall and Michael Sheehan after the Boy's 16 crew won another victory.



Coach Grady Bintliff gives his Boy's 13 crew last minute encouragement as he paddles out to the start of the race with them.



Winning their first race was a big thrill for the Women's Novice B crew at Waimanalo. Members of the crew are Jill Cheever, Terri Pynchon, Kim McKenzie, Deborah Sheffield, Janis McPheeters, Barbara Baird.



The men's Novice B crew has won four straight victories. Kneeling, Robert Ostrem and Robert Moranha. Standing: Joe Dubiel, Coach Karl Heyer IV, Jim Stahl, Chris McKenzie, Bob Fox, Greg Moss, Dan-Jacque Kaleikini, Mike Town.