

Paddlers Turn to Distance

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Immediately following the 1986 Regatta season, the Club's upper division paddlers shifted into high gear to prepare for the long distance season.

During the month of August, the men's crews participated in the Duke Kahanamoku Race, followed by the women's race around Bird Island.

Both the men's and women's crews journeyed to California to match their skills against west coast crews in the annual Catalina race, August 16 and 17, and the women's crew hosted the annual Dad Center Race, August 24.

Distance races to look forward to this month are the Skippy Kamakawiwoole Memorial Race sponsored by Outrigger on September 7 at Pokai Bay and the Kaena Challenge on September 14.

The women's Na Wahine O Ke Kai Molokai-to-Oahu race will be held September 28 and the men will race the same course October 12 for their annual Molokai Hoe.