

'88 Regatta Season Opens June 5

The first green flag of the 1988 Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association regatta season will wave on Sunday, June 5 at Keehi Lagoon for the Healani Regatta.

All Club members are invited to come down and watch Outrigger's three-time defending state champions as they go for the gold one more time.

"We have experienced coaches and experienced paddlers," said Head Canoe Racing Coach Mike Fox. "We've worked very hard the last two months and I think we're going to have a very good season."

"We overcame our first obstacle in April, when we almost lost our practice site at the Ala Wai Canal. But thanks to Mayor Frank Fasi, Rep. Fred Hemmings, City Parks Director Hiram Kamaka and Rep. Joan Hayes, we were able to convince the City to reconsider use of our practice area as part of the reconstruction of the Ala

Wai Golf Course," Fox said.

"The Kaoloa (our newest koa canoe) is in excellent shape. Wayne Faulkner has been sprucing her up and we're looking forward to some fast races. We also have the Leilani (an older koa canoe) ready if we need her."

This year, Fox has formed a new subcommittee which he has dubbed the "Fun Club Subcommittee."

"Their function is to plan special events, create race themes and in general promote unity, enthusiasm and club spirit. This extra boost plus hard work, should help us reach our goal--an undefeated season."

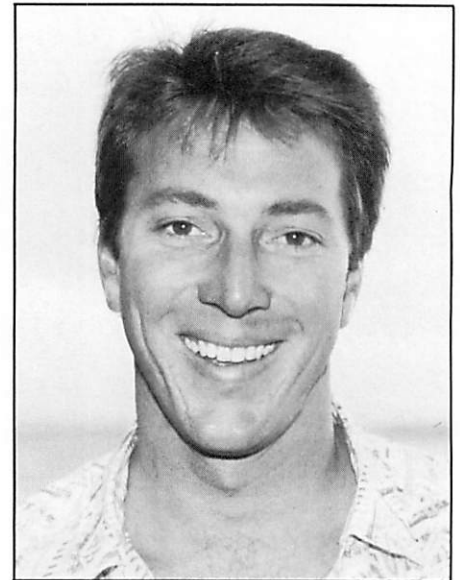
This year, Outrigger will be able to field crews in just about all races, but still welcomes paddlers in all divisions. If you would like to paddle, see Mike or Canoe Racing Committee Chairperson Bonnie Judd as soon as possible to sign up.

"I'd like to thank Dome and Paul of the Club staff and our other loyal helpers for their continuing efforts in maintaining and upgrading some of our special training facilities," he added.

Fox has been paddling for OCC for 13 years and has been on state championship teams as a novice B, freshman, sophomore and last year as a junior paddler.

He paddled on Outrigger's record setting Molokai crew in 1984 and was on the 1985 crew that finished second in koa.

He coached the boy's 16 crew for two years.



Mike Fox

"Just because we've won in the past, doesn't mean we're going to win this year," Fox said. "We have to work twice as hard as everyone else if we want to stay number one."

"I hope that everyone in our paddling program will come to regattas early and cheer on the kids in the morning and root for the upper division paddlers in the afternoon. Bring leis for your teammates and your friends, yell and scream and let everybody know that Outrigger is the best!"

Other races slated this month are June 12 at Kailua Beach Park, June 19 at Nanakuli and June 26 at Waimanalo. All start at 8:30 a.m. ☺

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