

OCC in Distance Canoe Races

Outrigger's men's and women's long distance crews will compete in the 19th annual Steinlager Queen Liliuokalani World Championship Long Distance Canoe Races, September 1 and 2 in Kailua-Kona. On Saturday, the women will race from Kailua to Honaunau, a distance of 18 miles, and the men will race from Honaunau to Kailua.

On Sunday, the racing will be in double hull canoes, with the women racing from Kailua to Keauhou, and the men making the return trip of 5.5 miles.

On Sunday, September 9, the E Lauhoe Na Wahine race from Outrigger to Pokai Bay will get started at 8 a.m.

The following week, September 16, men will compete in the Skippy Kamakawiwoole Race. The course is new this year, from Hawaii Kai to Paradise Cove.

Competition for the women winds up on September 30 during the 12th annual Bankoh Na Wahine O Ke Kai, Molokai to Oahu long distance race. The race will start at 7 a.m. at Hale O Lono Harbor and finish at Duke Kahanamoku Beach, ewa of the Hilton Hawaiian Village pier. First finishers are expected around 1 p.m.

Outrigger was third last year to four-time winner Offshore Canoe Club from California.

Come on down to the beach to greet our paddlers.