

1999 Paddling Season Kick-Off Day

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This is a short reminder about the kick-off to the 1999 Canoe Racing Season.

Saturday, April 10 will be a combination registration and workday to prepare for the season. The schedule of events is as follows:

- 8 a.m. Ala Wai Practice Site—Rigging of training canoes
- 2 p.m. OCC Upper Division Men's Program Meeting
- 3-6 p.m. Registration, Board Room
- 4 p.m. OCC—Rigging of the training canoes
- 6 p.m. OCC—Blessing of new fiberglass racing canoe (Ala Pina)

Crew coaches will be announced and practice schedules will be distributed.

In order to be eligible to paddle for OCC:

- All paddlers must be registered before the first day of practice.

- The paddling fee for 1999 is \$55, if registration is prior to May 10, 1999 and \$65 thereafter. (This fee will be charged to your account.)
- A Xerox copy of your driver's license or birth certificate is needed for all new paddlers.
- You must have your own OCC membership number.
- If you are not an OCC member, your name must be posted at least one month prior to the first race.

The upper division crews should check the locker room bulletin boards and/or the tunnel for additional information related to their programs.

The mandatory men's meeting, according to Coach Kala Judd, will cover policy set forth by the new Canoe Racing Committee, criteria, format and expectations related to the upper division and junior masters men for regatta and long distance 1999. Kala says if you are unable to attend the meeting contact him or anyone on the canoe racing committee prior to registration.