

Outrigger 4th in HCRA Championships

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As we winged our way towards the Garden Isle of Kauai on August 4, sleepily watching the dawn creep upon the horizon, I knew that today would be a special day, as we made our way to the HCRA State Championships at Hanalei with the first five of 25 crews that would paddle.

Kauai welcomed us with warm smiles, lush landscapes and the smell of fresh flowers, as our bus made its way across the old iron bridge into Hanalei Valley. After we found our tent and put it up, I looked at Hanalei Bay, the mountains and valley, and thought, "WOW. . . magic."

As each Outrigger crew raced in the crystal clear blue waters of Hanalei Bay, those of us on shore cheered, whistled and watched their progress, whether they won, came close or made a good showing.

Busloads of eager (and sleepy) paddlers came in waves, with their cheerful camaraderie permeating the Outrigger crowd. We cheered when the Men Masters 55s and the Women Masters 40s won! We shouted chants of "Outrigger" when the Boys 15s, Girls 18s, Boys 18s, Sophomore Men and Women's 60s came in close seconds and almost won it all! We congratulated our crews on jobs well done even when we couldn't tell, in the motion, light and action, how they finished.

At the end of the day, we packed up and made our way home in the fading light, with busloads of happy paddlers leaving for home in waves. We celebrated the end of a good regatta season and the new friendships and memories we made.

The 2007 regatta season has passed, and now we're in the distance season. Go OCC!

Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association State Championships

August 4, 2007 Hanalei, Kauai

AAAA Division: 1. Hawaiian (Maui), 359.
2. Lanikai, 328. 3. Kailua, 273. 4. Outrigger,
217. 5. Hui Nalu, 179.

How Outrigger Crews Placed

First Place Crews

Women 40 (1 mile): Jen Horner, Laurie Lawson, Paula Crabb, Kisi Haine, Karin Hansen, Mary Smolenski, 8:27.79.

Men 55 (1/2 mile): Bill Bright, Tom Arnott, Bill Mowat, Jimmy Kincaid, Chris Crabb, Ken Bailey, 3:47.22.

Second Place Crews

Boys 15 (1/2 mile): Riley Sieverts, Jimmy Field, Ben Beck, John Wade, Nion Nichols, Jon Hunter, 3:58.53.

Girls 18 (1/2 mile): Leigh Cullinan, Jean Cullinan, Marisa Wriston, Gracie Thacker, Nicole Libby, Brook Hunter, 4:24.85.

Boys 18 (1 mile): Simeon Ke Paloma, Griffin Dolman, Alex Hossellman, Ryan Harrison, Nainoa Basdavanos, 7:28.41.

Sophomore Men (1 mile): Ikaika Harbottle, Robby Harrison, Kaponu Brown, Byron Ho, Mike Kane, Karel Tresnak Jr., 6:54.28.

Women 60 (1/2 mile): Ann Buck, Susan Heitzman, Sandra Simons, Carol Cook, Maureen Kilcoyne, Michele St. John, 4:49.49.

Third Place Crews

Novice A Men (1 mile): Bob Kerch, Nate Jenkins, Ryan Woodward, Dennis Gaughan, Rob Farrow, Twain Newhart, 7:41.24.

Junior Men (1 mile): Tapa Worthington, Robi Solmssen, Jed Gushman, Gunner Schull, Evan Rhodes, Jimmy Austin, 7:01.93.

Senior Men (1.5 miles): Ikaika Harbottle, Robby Harrison, Kaponu Brown, Byron Ho, Mike Kane, Karel Tresnak Jr., 10:44.94.

Fourth Place Crews

Men 40 (1 mile): Walter Guild, Mark Rigg, Jim Beaton, Chris Kincaid, Mark Haine, Karl Heyer IV 7:21.41.

Fifth Place Crews

Men 60 (1/2 mile): Tay Perry, Glenn Perry, Michael Clifford, Hal Burchard, Bill Johnson, Chris McKenzie, 4:04.77.

Seventh Place Crews

Mixed 55 (1/2 mile): Tom Arnott, Ann Buck, Jim Iams, Doug Bechert, Darcy Iams, Patty Mowat, 4:14.62.

Women 50 (1/2 mile): Wendy Wichman, Alice Lunt, Maile Ostrem, Kat Beck, Genie Kincaid, Michele St. John, 4:41.47.

Eighth Place Crews

Girls 12 (1/4 mile): Alexandra Whiting, Claire Feeley, Madison Pelayo, Kristie Ann Figueira, Jenna Frowein, Kahala Schneider, Julia Ruggiera, 2:25.60.

Men 50 (1/2 mile): Murray Hixson, Mark Buck, Ray Sukanuma, Doug Bechert, Barnaby Robinson, Wink Arnott, 3:52.29.

Ninth Place Crews

Freshmen Men (1 mile): Kulani Jones, Peter Van Lier Ribbink, Jared Watumull, David Fan, James Hayes, Zach Payne, 7:28.45.

Women 55 (1/2 mile): Ruby Ifversen, Darcy Iams, Gerry Pedesky, Susan Heitzman, Carol Arnott, Keanuenu Rochlen, 5:03.68.

Tenth Place Crews

Novice B Women (1/4 mile): Erin Emberson, Julia Fiedler, Lindsay Chang, Lisa Hutchinson, Kim Darling, Rachel Daniel, 2:17.79.

Open 4 Women (1/2 mile): Hilary Denison, Debi Ing, Tracy Bradley, Liz Perry, 5:10.86.

Eleventh Place Crews

Boys 16 (1/2 mile): Reid Hayes, David Hayes, Chris Tucker, John Figueira, 4:01.48.

Twelfth Place Crews

Girls 13 (1/4 mile): Hailee Wade, Rachel Kincaid, Rebekah Kahooohanohano, Alena Marter, Devan Kaye, 2:21.33.

Thirteenth Place Crews

Freshmen Women (1 mile): Erika Eberhart, Keala Kilcoyne, Robin Beck, Kristin Lee, Lisa Irish, Lindsey Wessberg, 9:16.79.

Senior Women (1.5 miles): Kristin Lee, Robin Beck, Erika Eberhart, Jen Bossert, Lisa Irish, Lindsey Wessberg, 14:27.18.

Fourteenth Place Crews

Boys 12 (1/4 mile): Jack Beaumont, Ramon Perez de Ayala, Alec Dinsmore, Liam McTigue, Sutter Grune, James Whalen, 2:30.13.

Girls 15 (1/4 mile): Jasmine Daniel, Chloe Bryan, Malia Schimmelfenning, Macy McMahon, Tia Haworth, Cassidy Metter, 4:57.02.