

REGATTA SEASON *Ends With Fifth Place Finish*

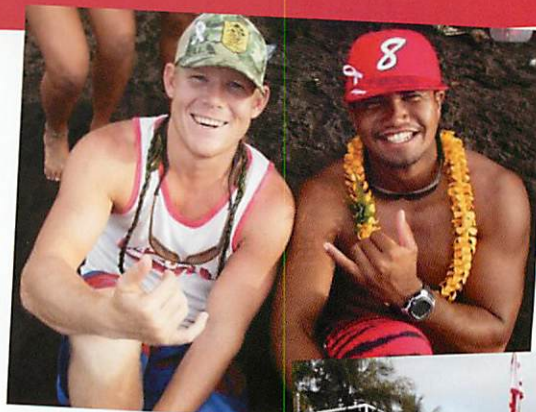
Outrigger Canoe Club's men's upper division crews dominated the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association Championship Regatta August 1 at Hilo Bay, winning the Freshmen, Sophomore, Senior, and Masters 40, 50 and 55 races.

OCC finished the regatta with 272 points for fifth place behind Hawaiian Canoe Club of Maui with 355 points, Kai Opua of Kona with 295, Kailua Canoe Club with 293 and Lanikai Canoe Club with 273.

A second place finish was turned in by the Masters Men 60 who had gone undefeated during the Oahu regattas.

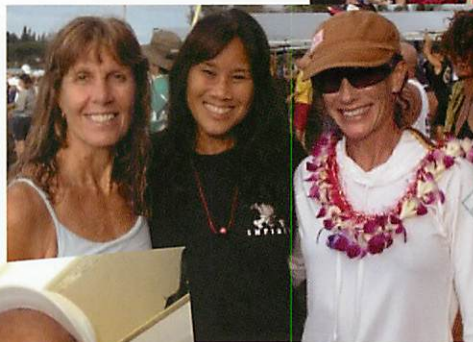
Third place medals went to the Boys 15 and 18 crews, the Sophomore and Senior Women and the Junior Men.

With the regatta season behind them, paddlers have now moved into the distance season, with the Na Wahine O Ke Kai Molokai to Oahu Race scheduled for September 27 and the Molokai Hoe Race on October 11.

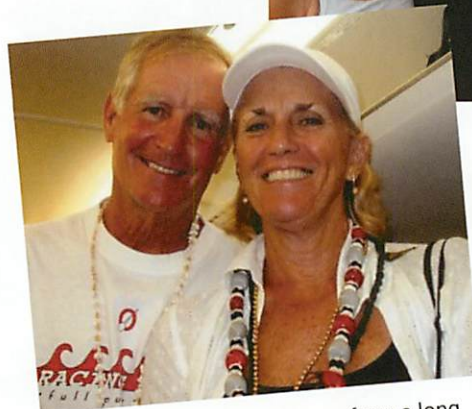


BELOW: Stew Kawakami (far left) steered Mark Sandvold, John Wacker, Todd Sandvold, Bruce Black and Rob Harrison to gold in the Master Men (40) event.

ABOVE: Noah Gibson and Ulu Keaunui won bronze in the Men's Junior event.



Paula Crabb (left) and Genie Kincaid (middle) placed 4th in the Senior Masters event, while Mary Smolenski won bronze in both the Sophomore and Senior Women events.



Mark and Ann Buck head home from a long day in Hilo. Mark and his Masters 55 crew of Kenny Bailey, Bill Bright, Thomas Arnott, Jimmy Kincaid, and Chris Crabb took gold at States. Their crew won all their races this summer, but one where they placed 2nd.



John Tucker, Jon Hunter, Christian Bradley and Chris Fong take it easy before their race.



Head Coach Stew Kawakami was at Hilo Bay all day, greeting the first bus load of OCC paddlers, to the last event of the day when he steered the Men's Masters 40s. His crewmates, Todd and Mark Sandvold, were there at the end of the day to drape Stew's gold medal around his neck.



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The Boys 15s crew saved their best race of the season for States and pulled off a bronze medal finish. From L-R: Coach Casey Kahikina, Akea Kahikina, Coach Jim Beaton, Chris Fong, Connor Grune, Aukai Gilliland, Chris DeWeese and Sean Michael Sunoo. Photo by Chris Sunoo.



The Masters Men 60 received their OHCRA championship medal: Tay Perry, Bart Watson, Ron Hochuli, Glenn Perry, Bill Johnson and John Finney.

Hui Nalu Regatta July 12, 2009 Keehi Lagoon Results

AAA Division: 1. Kailua, 88. 2. Lanikai, 68. 3. Outrigger, 66. 4. Hui Nalu, 46.

Winning OCC Crews

Girls 12 (1/4 mile): Kara Nystul, Elizabeth Allen, Kiele Schwinn, Amber Daniel, Nicole Fong, Tiare Gill, 2:36.8.

Girls 14 (1/4 mile): Lea Dimarchi, Lauren Ashford, Nicole Johnson, Alexandra Whiting, Madison Pelayo, Kahala Schneider, 2:19.9.

Freshmen Men (1 mile): Scott Gamble, David Fan, Craig Gamble, Simeon Ke-Paloma, Noah Gibson, Billy Lawson, 7:04.5.

Senior Men (1.5 miles): Scott Gamble, Kapono Brown, Craig Gamble, Michael Kane, Billy Lawson, Jimmy Austin, 10:51.8.

Masters Men 60 (1/2 mile): Tay Perry, Bart Watson, Bill Johnson, John Finney, Ron Hochuli, Glenn Perry, 4:07.0.

Masters Men 40 (1 mile): Mark Sandvold, Bruce Black, Robby Harrison, John Wacker, Jon Bryan, Stew Kawakami, 7:22.5.

OHCRA Championships July 19, 2009 Keehi Lagoon Results

AAA Division: 1. Kailua, 96. 2. Lanikai, 81. 3. Outrigger, 62. 4. Hui Lanakila, 49. 5. Hui Nalu, 42.

Winning OCC Crews

Freshmen Men (1 mile): Scott Gamble, Uluwehi Keaunui, Kealakai Hussey, Simeon Ke-Paloma, Noah Gibson, Billy Lawson, 7:08.52.

Sophomore Men (1 mile): Kapono Brown, Erik Deryke, Michael Kane, Tapa Worthington, Byron Ho, Jimmy Austin, 7:08.77.

Senior Men (1.5 mile): Scott Gamble, Billy Lawson, Michael Kane, Kapono Brown, Tapa Worthington, Jimmy Austin, 10:53.14.

Masters Men 60 (1/2 mile): Tay Perry, Barton Watson, William Johnson, John Finney, Ronald Hochuli, Glenn Perry, 4:06.62.

HCRA Championships August 1, 2009 Hilo Bay Results

AAA Division: 1. Hawaiian Canoe Club, 355. 2. Kai Opuia Canoe Club, 295. 3. Kailua Canoe Club, 293. 4. Lanikai Canoe Club, 273. 5. Outrigger Canoe Club, 272. 6. Keauhou Canoe Club, 252. 7. Hui Nalu Canoe Club, 181.

Winning OCC Crews

Freshmen Men (1 mile): Scott Gamble, Craig Gamble, Kealakai Hussey, Noah Gibson, Billy Lawson, Simeon Ke-Paloma, 6:58.72.

Sophomore Men (1 mile): Kapono Brown, Michael Kane, Tapa Worthington, Jimmy Austin, Evan Rhodes, Simeon Ke-Paloma, 6:55.09.

Senior Men (1.5 miles): Scott Gamble, Craig Gamble, Billy Lawson, Michael Kane, Jimmy Austin, Tapa Worthington, 10:35.31

Masters Men 55 (1/2 mile): Kenny Bailey, Bill Bright, Jimmy Kincaid, Chris Crabb, Mark Buck, Thomas Arnott, 3:41.78.

Masters Men 50 (1/2 mile): Karl Heyer, Mark Rigg, Marc Haine, Walter Guild, Chris Kincaid, Thomas Conner, 3:35.35.

Masters Men 40 (1 mile): Mark Sandvold, Robert Harrison, John Wacker, Todd Sandvold, Bruce Black, Stewart Kawakami, 7:15.92.