

Youth Paddlers Fired Up for 2012 Season

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Our youth paddling program built up some solid successes last year starting with some strong crew performances at the George Perry Long Distance Race and continuing throughout the 2011 regatta season.

Through their dedication and teamwork during the summer months the majority of our youth crews qualified to race at the state championships last year on Maui.

Our goals as a program this season will be to repeat the same success as last year, and also to have as many of our age group crews as possible vying to either place or win championships during the Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association regatta and at the state championships which will be held this summer at Ke`ehi Lagoon.

Join OCC's Junior paddling program this summer.



Our training will start earlier this year, so our Junior paddlers can experience pre-season long distance races before our regatta season kicks off in June. We have started to get kids into steering clinics and will be holding additional sessions to teach steering, rigging and paddling.

Assisting with our youth program will be: Mark Sandvold, Genie and Chris Kincaid, Bobby Yoza, Alan Pflueger, Jon Bryan, Casey Kahikina, and Karl Heyer IV.