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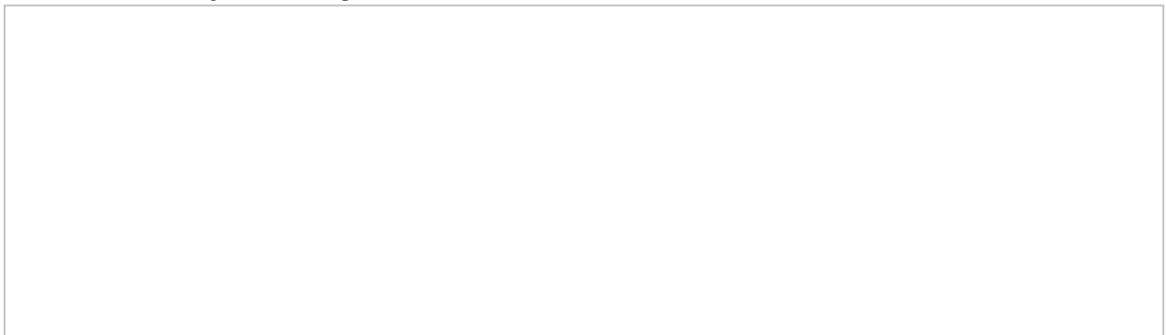
## Independent Press

Happy **May** O Kalani!

**Viva Aloha - Thank you Everyone!**

So much participation! So much helping!

An awesome job and great turn out!



We had 63 boats in total and 378 Paddlers Seats (some people did short course AND long course!)

You can find out more about the results on Webscorer. <https://www.webscorer.com/>  
Search for *Viva Aloha*.

As an FYI, Viva Aloha and the Wicked Fun Race are not considered “fundraisers”. These are events to support the sport of Outrigger Canoe racing and to build community. Having said that, we do typically come out a little ahead. So, if anybody is curious, the \$25 paddler entry is split between NCOCA (\$10) and O Kalani (\$15). NCOCA pays for each boat it provides beyond the host-provided lead boat, and standard payment schedule for race officials, timers, etc as detailed in the race rules. O Kalani covers site-related expenses like permits, HoneyBuckets, lead chase boat, awards, hand sanitizer and any other goodies. If you purchased something on behalf of the race, please submit a photo/scan of the receipt(s) and brief summary to [treasurer@okalanioutrigger.org](mailto:treasurer@okalanioutrigger.org).

### **NCOCA Race Steering Rules**

There was a discussion at the site last Sunday reviewing NCOCA race steering rules with Junior and we found out some things. 1) there are the **rules**, 2) there is the **interpretation** of the rules, 3) **strategy** which includes the rules and the interpretation of the rules! OMG and they can all produce a different result for the same situation!

So thinking that we should all be a little more familiar with the race rules. You can find them here: [NCOCA Race Rules Book](#)

## **Parking**

Do not park in front of the Kayak Gates or anything that may look like a gate. Full Stop. There are about three panels worth of gate in front of their site. The Kayak group will call and have your car towed.

## **New Canoe**

A new Tahitian Unlimited Canoe was purchased by the club (it was lightly used by the Newport "Castaways" team before sale to O Kalani). Although the final name of this canoe is to be determined, we're thinking of naming it something in the Tahitian language as a testament to its design. We will be working on installing foot braces, pumps, and making other needed modifications in the coming weeks.

## **Sign Up for AWAY OC-6 races so we can gauge interest and plan. CHECK TEAMSNAPE!**

**June 17:** Iron Champs (San Diego)

**July 8:** Columbia River Gorge (Skamania, Washington)

**Sept 2:** Queen Liliuokalani (Kona, HI)

**Sept 9:** Catalina Crossing Change Race (Newport/Avalon)

*Note: These sign ups are to indicate strong interest only; do not simply sign up if you do not truly intend to commit to train with your crew (e.g., at least 3 practices per week). Talk to Ben or Enav at practice if you have any questions.*

## **O Kalani SWAG!**

Don't wait for the last minute!

Get O Kalani Hats, race jerseys, hoodies and more!

**Here is the link for swag: [O Kalani Collection](#)**

## **Looking for Volunteers**

Be part of the solution! We are a **club of volunteers**.

**Let us know what you would like to do!**

**Email:** [board@okalanioutrigger.org](mailto:board@okalanioutrigger.org)

**Safety Officer** – Tim Herring (Thank you Tim)

**Lost and Found Guru** - Audrey Chiang (Thank you Audrey)

### **Event Planner(s) Needed:**

**Fourth of July Parade** in Alameda! (Float decoration, volunteer sign up)

**Wicked Fun Race** - October (Coordinate after race food!)

**End of season party & site clean up** - October (Coordinate club-provided food)

**Holiday party** - December (Arrange off site location and food)

## **Team Practice Schedule**

**Sunday** 9AM - Co-Ed OC6 (Beginner friendly)

**Monday** 6PM - Men OC1

**Tuesday** 6PM - Women OC1

**Wednesday** 6PM - Men OC6

**Thursday** 6PM - Women OC6

**Friday** 6pm - OC1 Beginners - sign up on teamsnap!

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for more info)

**Saturday** 8AM - Women OC1/OC6

**Saturday** 11AM - Men OC1/OC6

Please show up **15 minutes before practice start times** to allow for equipment preparation and crew organization. Weeknight and Sunday practices generally run for about 1.5 hours. Saturday practices run about 2.5 to 3 hours. Bring layers and clothing options in case it's cold!

## **Upcoming Local Races - May/June**

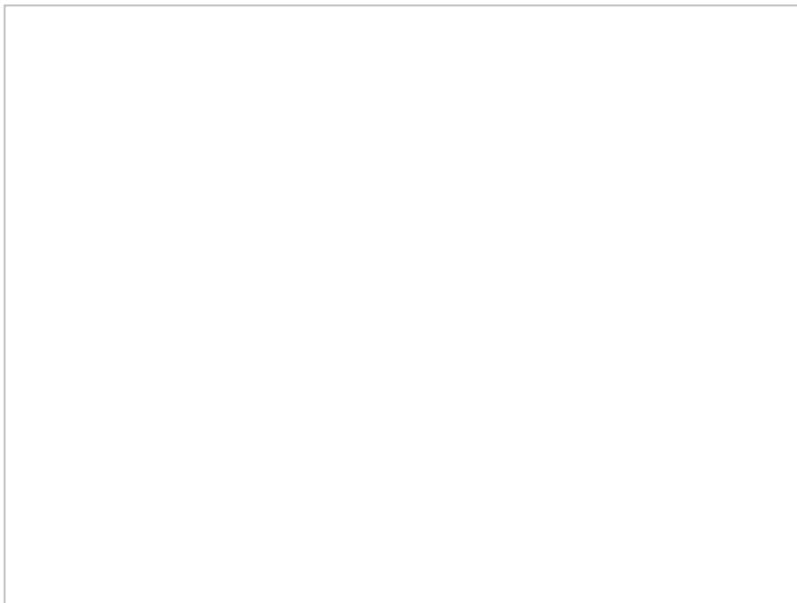
**May 27:** Monterey Hoe Wa'a hosted by Hi'ilani 'O Ke Kai (Del Monte Beach, Monterey)

**June 10:** Regatta #1 hosted by Golden State (Lake Natoma, Sacramento Area)

**June 24:** Regatta #2 hosted by Lokahi (Encinal Boat Ramp, Alameda)

*Sign up on TeamSnap at least 2 weeks in advance and participate in OC6 Races!*

## **Lost and Found**



Hello paddling people!

Now that racing season has begun, it's time to keep track of your lost items. Please take a look in the Lost and Found bin and retrieve your items before the end of the month. On June 1, I'll clear out the bin and donate anything I don't want to keep for myself. The bin is clearly marked and usually lives on the table right next to the container. It'll move inside the container when it rains. Thanks for keeping the site clutter-free.

PS: if you have read this far, please give me feedback. Do you like this? Do you want more? What would you like to see? THANKS. [Communications@okalanitoutrigger.org](mailto:Communications@okalanitoutrigger.org)