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The official publication of the Outrigger Canoe Club is titled Ama to honor the Club's lineage. The outrigger of a canoe is called an Ama in 'Ōlelo Hawai'i (Hawaiian Language). It was a nautical innovation that allowed the Polynesians to efficiently navigate the rough waters of the Pacific. The Ama is also the port hull of a double-hulled canoe, which is the vehicle that brought the Hawaiians to these beautiful islands.

Cover: Kaili Chun with her handcarved o'o.
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THE 2019 MEMBERSHIP SURVEY RESULTS ARE IN! Thank you to all 829 of you who took the time to complete the survey and share your comments. The Board and Long Range Planning Committee remain committed to using these results to drive decision making and capital spending, so your participation is vital.



This year, along with our longitudinal satisfaction question set, we delved further into exploring why we choose to be members of our great club. These findings will help form the basis of our strategic plan.

Once again, a broad cross-section of the membership, with the exception of our 18 to 29 year olds, took the survey. We realize that you young folk are busy but, as the future of the club, we'd sure like to hear your thoughts too!

Robert Durkin, President
Dustin Sellers, Former President

Q1 Length of membership	2019 Total	2017 Total
Less than 5 years	6%	10%
Less than 10 years	10%	11%
Less than 20 years	16%	17%
Less than 30 years	19%	15%
30 years or more	48%	45%
Not sure/NA	1%	1%
Est. median	29	27

Base: 829 1085

Q2 Membership classification	2019 Total	2017 Total
Intermediate (18 to 29 years old)	3%	5%
Regular (30 years and older)	43%	43%
Senior	17%	18%
Life	1%	1%
Associate	4%	5%
Non-resident (Inter, Island, Pure)	30%	25%
Life/Honorary	0%	1%
Other	1%	1%
Not Sure/NA	1%	1%

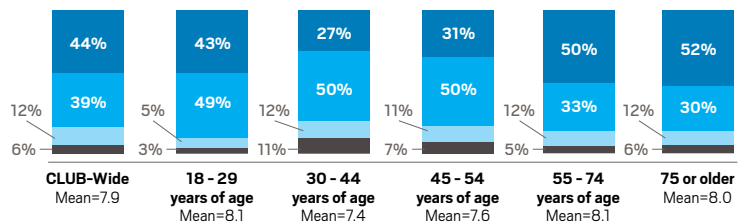
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KEY FINDINGS

Member Satisfaction ▼

Overall member satisfaction remains high and virtually unchanged at 79%

1. One positive change from the 2017 survey is that the percentage of resident members who were "Very Satisfied" (rating a 9-10 in satisfaction) went from 31% to 39%. Non-resident members were higher at 84%, compared to resident members who were 77% satisfied.



Dining Satisfaction ▼

The Snack Bar gets the highest satisfaction rating at 80%

2. Again, the membership loves the Snack Bar, and as you will see further in this article, wants the most attention paid to improving it. The Hau Terrace gets the lowest rating at 74% but recent improvements to quality of food and service are noted in the comments.

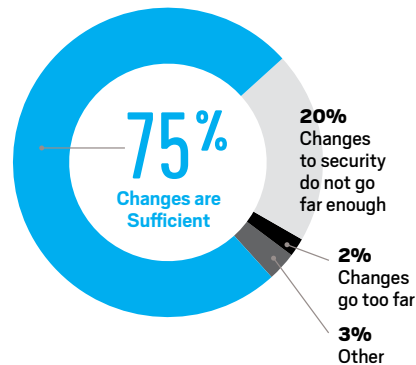
Area	Base	Average Rating (10 point scale)	% 9, 10 Ratings (Top 2 Box)	% 0 to 4 Rating (Bottom 2 Box)
CLUB-Wide	829	7.9	43%	6%
Koa Lanai	570	7.5	34%	8%
Hau Terrace	739	7.4	33%	7%
Ka Moi Boathouse	561	7.8	34%	4%
Snack Shop	650	8.0	45%	4%



Club Security ▶

Majority of respondents feel our security upgrades are sufficient

3. The new cameras, panic buttons and parking management are good progress in achieving the membership's desire for a safer, more secure club experience. Of those who felt the security changes did not go far enough, the #1 suggestion was to have a full-time security person on property (36%). This is not being considered at this time but will remain a discussion point.



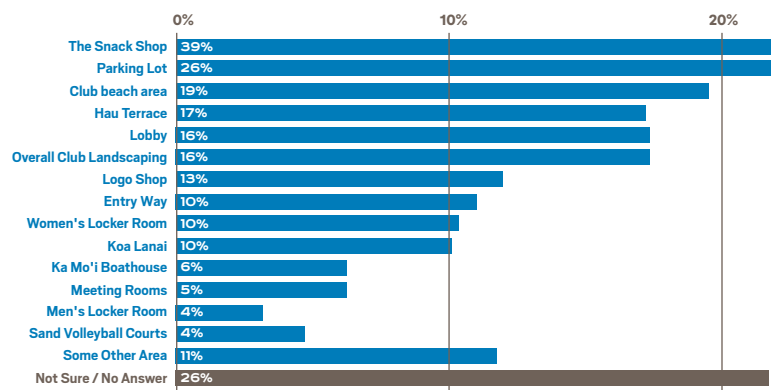
Areas For Improvement ▲

Snack Bar and parking situation top members' list for change

4. While the membership loves the Snack Bar, it also sees it as the greatest opportunity for improvement. This is not new, but the locker room improvement needs trumped it two years ago so we had to prioritize. We now have progress to report: An ad hoc design committee has been meeting for almost a year and has transitioned to a project management team within Building & Grounds, with upgrades targeted for winter 2020.

The ongoing parking woes created by the significant increase in sports-related activities (paddling and volleyball program expansions) at peak times has the House committee working hard to curb the now critical parking issue. Weekend and evening valet service, strict decal enforcement and the ongoing policing of large-vehicle space management seems to be having positive effects. Alternative parking sites supported by a shuttle service are also being considered. Stay tuned as it is clearly on the membership's mind.

Ongoing beach management also remains a focus. The Board of Directors and Long Range Planning understand that our beach, and access to it, is our #1 asset and how we manage that resource will determine all our enjoyment in the future. Wall restoration, access management and king tide mitigation are key priorities for beach enhancement that can be achieved within the next five to ten years.

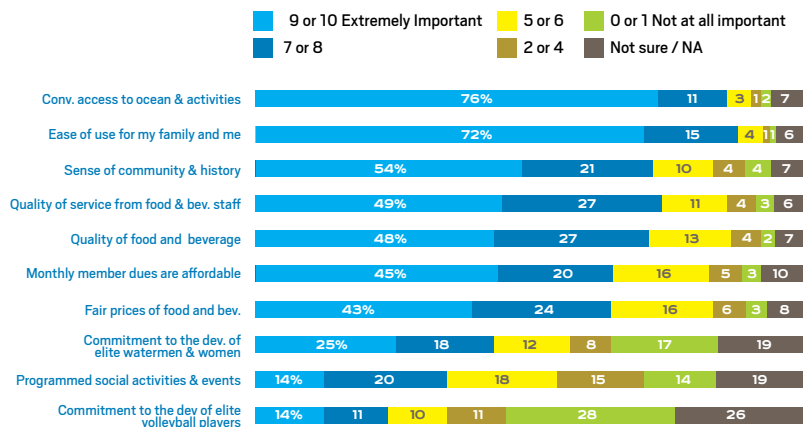


Top Perks ▲

Members' top reasons for keeping their OCC membership are 'Convenient access to ocean and ocean activities' and 'Ease of use for my family and me'

5. Continuing a trend over the last five years of surveys, the membership increasingly sees the club as a casual place to chill with family and places high value on the ease of ocean access.

Members also clearly value our unique and tenured community and the connection to the rich history of our Club.





MAHALO TO EVERYONE for your feedback on the **Snack Shop Redesign**. It was a great help and now I am pleased to be able to provide an update on how the project will proceed.



In the 2017 and 2019 satisfaction surveys, members identified the Snack Shop as the Club's number one area in need of improvement. The Building and Grounds Committee, along with a Snack Shop Ad Hoc Committee, has been working tirelessly to create a Snack Shop that will make the OCC membership proud. Approximately 40 emails were received during the comment period. Here are

the top three concerns, with responses on how they are being addressed:

• **Ensure that access to Canoe Alley will not be impacted:**

- The area will not be impacted. A new emergency exit door will be added to the kitchen, however, Canoe Alley access and dimensions remain unchanged.

• **Improve food and service:**

- The Food & Beverage (F&B) team, in conjunction with the

House F&B Subcommittee, will review all Snack Shop operations with the goal to improve the quality, speed, and overall member satisfaction with the Snack Shop.

- The new kitchen layout will allow the team in the Snack Shop to provide new and improved food options.

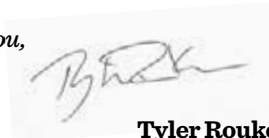
- The modern ordering system and paging system will help with speed and accuracy of orders.

• **Improve the seating and table layout:**

- The preliminary plan is that the space will be covered by four large umbrellas. Because of this, more tables and chairs will be available for our members to enjoy the Snack Shop.

Building permit applications for the project are being submitted. The final exterior finishes and furnishings, including the furniture, are still being decided. Additional updates on the snack bar project will be communicated in *Ama* magazine, the weekly Enews and on the digital display boards at the Club. Thanks to everyone who submitted comments on the project, I look forward to sharing the progress with you in the coming months.

A hui hou,



Tyler Roukema, General Manager



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CLUB HAPPENINGS,
CELEBRATIONS & EVENTS

A Legend Turns 94

Celebrating Joe Quigg

By Lesa Griffith

► **Whitewashed coconuts** bearing the OCC logo and spectacular floral arrangements by Lexy Hada set the tone for longtime member Joe Quigg's 94th birthday on June 28. The event, organized by Baby Dave Rochlen, at the suggestion of Joe's caregiver Cindy Morency, attracted a who's who of water people gathered to celebrate the Father of the Modern Surfboard.

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Widely acknowledged as the most influential board shaper of the mid-20th-century, Quigg's genius for design went far beyond surfboards says Baby Dave, whose uncle Dave grew up with Joe in southern California.

"He could design any kind of water craft—windsurfers, paddle boards, belly boards, catamarans, canoes, paddles, anything that had to do water. His genius is beyond most people's comprehension. The catamaran that sails on foils are inches from Joe's designs from the 60s and 70s," says Baby Dave. "I used to go to the Club at 5am to surf before work and one morning I see this guy coming in and I realize it's Joe Quigg. He wraps up this thing in his arms—he had designed this special body board. He was out there at 4am so he could test it and no one would see it."



PHOTO BY SEAN MARRS

Joe crafted the last koa canoe ever made for the Club. Facing all kinds of obstacles, Joe worked on the project for years, finally completed the gleaming vessel in 1986. It was the last koa canoe to win the Molokai Hoe. Canoe Committee Chair Walter Guild had junior men paddlers set the canoe on a cradle on the beach, and also brought out the scale model that Joe had created for testing. Joe took his place next to his baby as people snapped away on their smart phones. "I was amazed to see the scale model," says Baby Dave. "I didn't even know about it. Walter did a great job. No one could stay away from the canoe."

The event was a team effort, says Baby Dave, crediting Joe's granddaughter Georgie Quigg and Jim Heumann for their help. Old friends such as Dale Hope, Peter Cole, Randy Rarick, Pua and Pumehana Rochlen, and Joey and Yana Cabell came to pay court to a man they love. For all his accomplishments, it is Joe's demeanor and integrity that draw people to him.

"He's a mentor, a teacher, a gentleman," says Baby Dave. "He only wants people treated the right way. He is an example of what every honorable person would like to be like." ■

The OCC Historical Committee Presents Stew & Rice

From Mauka to Makai: Natural History and the Use of Seabirds in Polynesian Navigation with Dr. Lindsay Young



DATE: Monday, November 11, 5:30pm

➤➤ **Did you know** that the very first visitors to the Hawaiian Islands, after they emerged from the ocean, were seabirds? Their guano formed the soil that allowed our forests to grow, and their colonies helped guide ancient wayfarers to land after long ocean voyages. Many of Hawai'i's 22 species of seabirds spend the first three to five years of their lives at sea without ever coming to land.

Don't miss the next Stew & Rice on November 11, when Dr. Lindsay Young shares more about these fascinating animals and how to use them while navigating at sea. Enjoy a fabulous sunset view as you tuck into a delicious Stew & Rice buffet before the presentation. In addition to a great dinner and good company, you'll enjoy an engaging and educational talk.

Dr. Young is a wildlife biologist and the Executive Director of Pacific Rim Conservation, a Hawai'i-based non-profit organization that helps to conserve rare and endangered bird species. She

completed her Ph.D. at the University of Hawai'i where her research focused on the Laysan albatross and has authored dozens of scientific papers. Her work has appeared in documenta-



ries on the BBC, National Geographic and in many local news outlets. Lindsay regularly sails throughout the northwestern Hawaiian Islands as part of her research and is a world expert in Hawaiian seabirds.

Dinner is \$25++ per person and includes the presentation. Make your reservations at the Front Desk, or on the OCC App or website.

SAVE THE DATE:

Stew & Rice Series 2020

- January 21:** John Clark, author and surf historian
- March 24:** TBD **October 20:** TBD
- August 24:** Kanikapila **December 8:** TBD



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The Boulevard Club

Toronto, Canada

By Valerie Davis

➤➤ **Traveling to Toronto soon?** Check in at the Boulevard Club—the newest addition to our outstanding list of Reciprocal Clubs.

The Club was started by 43 paddlers as the Palmdale Canoe Club back in 1905. It quickly outgrew its first clubhouse, a shack on the Humber River, and moved to a property at 1801 Lakeshore Dr, which had a boathouse. At the time, canoe racing (paddling) was Toronto's most popular recreational sport. For some families it was an ideal way to traverse the waters of the Humber River or even Lake Ontario.

A few years later, the Club moved again, to 1491 Lakeshore Dr., where it has survived four devastating fires, two World Wars and an ice storm. With the onset of the Great Depression in 1928 the Club struggled, but was saved by its members, and renamed the Boulevard Club in 1935.

With its lakefront location, the Club's canoe focus has greatly broadened to emphasize a diverse program of family and athletic activities.

With its lakefront location, the Club's canoe focus has greatly broadened to emphasize a diverse program of family and athletic activities such as volleyball, pickleball, swimming, stand-up paddle boarding, dragon boat racing, tennis, badminton, fencing, fitness training, and yachting—power and sail. The Club has fully serviced slips for boats (25 to 60 feet), lockers for gear, and year-round watercraft storage, and holds weekly races from May to November. In addition, it offers a watercraft borrowing program and



Reciprocal members can enjoy a range of athletic activities in addition to magnificent sunsets while visiting The Boulevard Club. Request your letter of introduction with the Executive Office.

sailing classes for children (started at age 8) and adults.

The Club's full fitness center features Precor resistance training equipment, Precor/StairMaster cardiovascular machines, and free weights and functional training equipment. Three exercise studios offer a full schedule of classes including yoga, pilates, and Zumba. There are also outdoor (60 by 30 feet) and indoor (six lanes, 25 yards) swimming pools that offer water polo, water aerobics, and swimming lessons for all ages, including youth swim camps.

The new West Wing houses a state-of-the-art badminton center, new men's and women's locker rooms, each with sauna and steam, boys' and girls' locker rooms, sports therapy treatment rooms, and a full aesthetics spa.

When it comes to dining the Club has many great options to enjoy food and drink. The elegant main dining room—the

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Harbour Room—serves outstanding contemporary cuisine for dinner and Sunday brunch. In the summer you can sit on the adjoining Verandah. Children are welcome. For everyday family dining, The Wave Café opens at 7am daily and serves breakfast, lunch and dinner, as well as a Sunday buffet brunch. For fantastic lake views, head to The Vista Patio. Great for summer dining, you can order from the Wave Café menu or relax with some cold drinks and enjoy the magnificent sunsets. The adults-only Harry's Bar (19 and older) is the place to watch games with friends, or order a casual meal from the Wave Café menu. It is open from 11am every day, for lunch and dinner. The Club has a full catering department for events, weddings and meetings and a variety of rooms—including a full ballroom—most with fantastic views of Lake Ontario.

Although The Club doesn't have guest rooms on property, it does have overnight arrangements with three nearby hotels at good rates. And it offers on-site parking.

When next in Toronto, add The Boulevard Club to your list. Contact our Executive Office for a letter of introduction. When you are ready to leave The Boulevard Club, all bills can be paid with all major credit cards or debit cards.

More info: boulevardclub.com



More Meat Please

DATES: Saturdays
September 28 & October 19



➤ **Why limit Steak Fry night** to summer? You have two more chances to enjoy this fun evening with family, friends and BBQ on the beach on September 28 or October 19. Enjoy your choice of grilled favorites, served with sides and a salad, under the stars. Your keiki will enjoy roasting marshmallows on the new fire pits to make s'mores. Celebrate this Club tradition and make new memories with your Outrigger Ohana.

Fall Fashion Friday

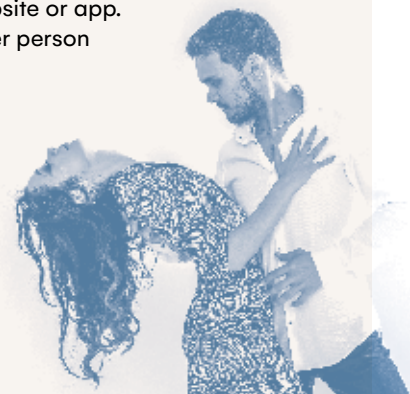
DATES: Friday, October 18, 11am–2pm

➤➤ **The OCC Entertainment Committee presents "Bloomingdale's & Friends"** fashion trend show and luncheon featuring a Bloomingdale's beauty bar and designer pop-up shops! Save the date and look for details in the weekly Enews, on the OCC App and website and on the Club's display screens.

Add Sizzle to Your Week with Salsa After Sundown!

DATES: Tuesdays, October 8, 15, 22, 29

➤➤ **Slip on your Cuban heels** and spice up your moves! For four Tuesdays in October, friendly dance instructors from the Arthur Murray Dance Center will be at the Club for Salsa after Sundown. Learn the hottest steps, whether you're a beginner or seasoned dancer. Make it a date night, a girls' night out or swing solo—partners not required. Just come on down and hit the dance floor! Drink specials at 6:30pm, dance lesson from 7 to 8pm. Sign up for one or all four Salsa after Sundown lessons at the Front Desk or on the OCC website or app. \$20++ per person



Calendar



UPCOMING EVENTS

September 8	Sunday	Kupuna Day Dinner
September 28	Saturday	Steak Fry
September 29	Sunday	OCC Hike Lulumalu Falls
October 8	Tuesday	Salsa Lessons
October 15	Tuesday	Salsa Lessons
October 18	Friday	Fashion Show
October 19	Saturday	Steak Fry (<i>last one of the year</i>)
October 20	Sunday	OCC Hike Maunalaha
October 22	Tuesday	Salsa Lessons
October 29	Tuesday	Salsa Lessons
November 10	Sunday	OCC Hike Moanalua Valley
November 11	Monday	Stew & Rice
November 28	Thursday	Thanksgiving
December 1	Sunday	102nd Castle Swim
December 7	Saturday	Keiki Christmas—Breakfast with Santa
December 16	Monday	OCC Annual Christmas Open House

Read On!

Upcoming Schedule

TIME / DATES: 10:00 a.m.

Every first Friday of the month in the Duke Room

September 6 **Sea People** by *Christina Thompson*

October 4 **For a Song** by *Rodney Morales*.

The author will be present.

November 1 **Iolani Palace: A Metaphor for Two Centuries of Hawaii History** by *Carol Maxym*.

The author will be present.

December 6 **The Lieutenant's Nurse** by *Sara Ackerman*.

The author, an OCC member, will be present.



PHOTO BY JAMES KEARSEY

OCC Photo Contest

Share Your Hot Shots!

➔ **Got a good eye?** Enter your photos in the annual OCC Photo Contest! Submissions will be accepted October 1 to 31. The contest is open to Club members and their immediate families.

This year the contest goes digital with online entry and judging! Visit outrigger-canoeclub.com to enter and upload your photos. However, 8-by-10-inch prints will also still be accepted—paper entries will be available at the Front Desk. Participants may enter up to two photos in each of the following categories:

OCC Clubscape:

The place and the people

Ocean:

In or on the ocean; anywhere in the world

Sports & Activities:

Club members participating; may include family events

Travel: At home and abroad; any location

Nature: Flora

Nature: Fauna

Contest rules and entry information will be online and at the Front Desk beginning October 1. Winning photographs will be featured in the January/February issue of *Ama*, on the Outrigger website and in the Lobby Display case. The Grand Prize and First Place winners for each category will also receive OCC gift cards. **Get out there and get that shot!**

Yes Can!

Wayne Larrow wants to create your next memorable Club experience

By **Lesia Griffith**



PHOTOS BY MATT HEIRAKUJI

Assistant Food & Beverage Director Wayne Larrow joined the Outrigger Canoe Club in November. In charge of catering and operations, in just eight months, he broke the Club's record for events—clocking 105 functions in July.



What's the cause of this jump in catered affairs? Larrow makes it his mission to “find the way to yes.” If someone wants to throw a birthday party on the Ocean Lanai but it's already booked on their preferred date, he checks his schedule and finds an alternative space overlooking the Hau Terrace. “We can customize and be accommodating,” says Larrow, explaining that Food & Beverage offers a wide range of services and the culinary team can “pretty much make anything under the sun.” He also credits the entire Food & Beverage team in helping special events flow—from the servers who assist with hosting to the chefs behind the scenes, everyone is focused on ensuring members and their guests have the time of their lives.

It doesn't hurt that Larrow can out-smize Tyra Banks without even trying. His smiling eyes and cool head under pressure make him a consummate people person.

Larrow grew up in “the industry”—his father, also named Wayne Larrow—was a bartender at Murphy's Bar & Grill for 20 years before helping to open J. Dolan's. Though he looks like he just graduated from college, Larrow has 20 years of food and beverage management experience under his belt. He was previously the assistant general manager of Hard Rock Café, where his boss was Rede Eder. When Eder joined the Club as Director of Food & Beverage, one of the first things he did was reach out to Larrow, part of his master plan to create a game-changing team.

What convinced Larrow to make the move? “The team,” he says without hesitation. “Rede is a great guy, a visionary, big-picture kind of person.” While Larrow didn't previously know Club General

Manager Tyler Roukema, the two had run in similar circles. “He ran Outback Steakhouses in Texas, I ran Outbacks in Texas—we know the same people.” He notes that Eder and Roukema “speak the two languages” of Hard Rock and Outback, “and I understand those languages, so I can quickly understand what they're envisioning and what they want executed.” ■



Perfect Party Planning

Nail down these things before meeting with Wayne Larrow for the smoothest event ever

1. Set the date: **This is everything.**

If you are on the ball and make your request far in advance that's great. If you're late, being flexible can help. You should book a minimum of one to two months in advance. For special events or holiday season, Larrow recommends six months. As of July, bookings for December were already at 41 functions. “We have some families that do this annually, so as soon as their function is done, they book for the next year,” says Larrow.

2. How many?: With four different spaces that can be allocated in multiple configurations, Larrow can engineer the perfect layout once he knows your number of guests.

3. What kind of event is it?: Larrow says if he understands what you want to convey as a party, he can assist in major decisions. Do you want casual or formal? Should it appeal to teenagers or retirees?

4. How much do you want to spend per person? Once you establish this, Larrow can build everything from décor to food around that.

5. What is your timeline? How many toasts will you have? Is there entertainment? Wayne will help you pace the schedule so there are no overlaps.

To create your next event, contact Wayne at wlarrow@outriggercanoecub.com



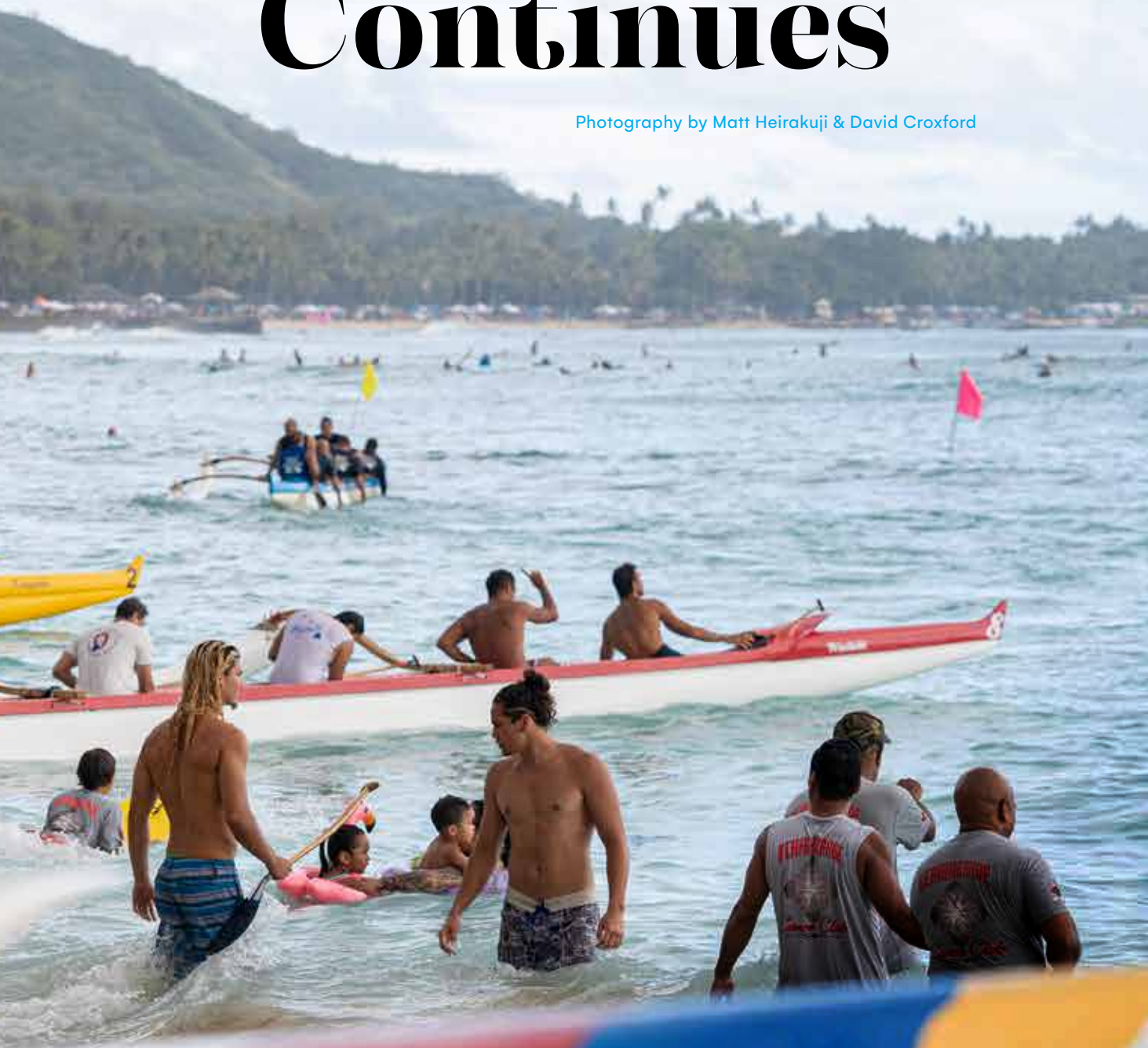
*The 77th Annual Walter J. Macfarlane
Memorial Canoe Regatta*





The Club's Ocean Tradition Continues

Photography by Matt Heirakuji & David Croxford



Paddle power: Victor Bovino-Agostini, Ikaika Harbottle, Ikaika Kincaid, Darren Orr, Billy Pratt, and steersman Jimmy Austin prepare for the Men's Masters (40) race.

EVERY YEAR, THE MACFARLANE FAMILY gathers to polish the 13 Macfarlane trophies, in preparation for the Outrigger Canoe Club’s biggest event of the year—the Walter J. Macfarlane Memorial Canoe Regatta. Launched in 1943 to honor Territorial legislator, legendary waterman and former Club president Walter J. Macfarlane, the regatta is part of paddling history—it is the oldest annual outrigger canoe race in the world, and is the only wave race on the O‘ahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association schedule.

On July 4, the gleaming trophies, were on display as a day of blue skies and unpredictable conditions unfolded for the 77th regatta. The day started at 6am with the Paddlers’ Breakfast in the Ka Mo‘i Boathouse. After Club President Robert Durkin’s welcome, Walter Guild, chair of the Canoe Racing Committee and grandnephew of Walter J. Macfarlane, fired up paddlers with rousing words of encouragement. Then everyone headed to the Outrigger Waikiki Beach Resort, site of the original OCC clubhouse.

Crews faced a challenging south swell of four to seven feet. Outrigger placed first in 19 of 45 events, securing first place with a total of 209 points. Experienced steersmen Jimmy Austin, Rachel Brunsch, Kaihe Chong, Tuaronga Cowan, Walter Guild, Travis Grant, Heinere Itchner, and Amy Lawson kept our paddlers safe and on course to the Club win. More than 600 members and guests made their way back to the Club to celebrate the back-to-back Macfarlane victories with a barbecue on the beach and a performance by The Piranha Brothers. The day ended with two kinds of light shows—a spectacular sunset and 4th of July fireworks.

Red, white and canoe: (top to bottom) Canoe Racing Committee chair Walter Guild fires up the crews at the Paddlers’ Breakfast. • May the Fourth be with you. • Paddlers make their way from the Club to the Regatta at the Outrigger Waikiki Beach Resort. • Kawika Grant—the caretaker, steward, and master of the OCC trophies—shares a moment on the beach with Richard Ray.

Breaking the waves: (Opposite page, clockwise from top) Jimmy Austin, Kaihe Chong, Tuarongo Cowan and Heinere Itchner took first in the Men’s Open Four. These guys also steered in a combined 20 of the events for OCC. • Girls 12’s get ready for the first event of the day. • OCC Junior paddling crews carry the Waikiki off the OCC beach. • Kaihe Chong.



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Winning ways:

(clockwise from top left) Tuarongo Cowan and his team members run through the Victory Tunnel after winning the Men's Open Four. • OCC paddlers watch the action from the beach. • The Regatta included the Macfarlane Invitational Military Race. Seven crews paddled with a steersman from a sponsoring club. Air Force took first place, winning by less than 3/10 of a second. Outrigger hosted the Army 8TSC crew, pictured here, which finished third, with Todd Bradley as steersman. • Senior Women receive the Muriel Macfarlane Flanders Cup.

Bubbly tradition:

(Opposite page) Senior Women crew member Kahala Schneider sips champagne from the Flanders Cup.



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All in the 'ohana: (clockwise from top left) The Macfarlane family's Billy Philpotts, Tauhani Philpotts, Lissa Guild Eveleth, Alice Guild, Ryder Guild, Emilia Eveleth, Jackie Guild, Walter Guild, Marion Philpotts Miller and Jeff Miller. • On the beach for natural and manmade fireworks.

Muriel Macfarlane Flanders Cup

•• **Women have competed** in the Macfarlane Regatta since the first event in 1943, but it wasn't until 1984 that they got a perpetual trophy. Mrs. Muriel Macfarlane Flanders donated the sterling silver bowl for the winner of the Senior Women's Race.

Named for Mrs. Flanders, it is a fitting tribute, paralleling the senior men's race trophy named for her brother, Walter J. Macfarlane.

The Muriel Macfarlane Flanders Cup pedestal was made by J. D. Philpotts, Muriel's grandson, and the base was made by Domie Gose. After every regatta, the names of the winning crew are engraved on the trophy.

Each year, the winning women's crew is invited to share a champagne toast from the bowl with the second-place crew after the race.

Want to learn more about the history of the Macfarlane Regatta and its perpetual trophies? Go to outriggercanoclubsports.com, an invaluable trove of information updated and curated by the OCC Historical Committee.



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CONTEMPORARY TRADITIONS



Multimedia artist **Kaili Chun**
crafts a very special trophy for Transpac

By Lesa Griffith
Photography by Sean Marrs





ON A JULY MORNING, Kaili Chun peers at the rigging on a double-hulled outrigger canoe in the open-air studio beneath her Nu‘uanu home. Made of koa, ‘ohia and maple, the four-foot-long scale vessel that she spent six months crafting is due to be handed to the overall winner of the Transpac 2019 Yacht Race, celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. It is the ninth canoe Chun has made for the prestigious race, continuing a tradition started by her wood carving mentor, the legendary master canoe builder Wright Bowman, Sr.

→ **An Outrigger Canoe Club member** since she was a student at Princeton University (where she studied ceramics under another mentor, the acclaimed Maui-born ceramic artist Toshiko Takaezu, as well as earned an architecture degree), water has played a central role in Chun’s life. A surfer (she took first place in Open Women at Surf Jam), competitive swimmer (while she was at Kamehameha Schools) and paddler (she was a member of the Club’s women’s team for many years, and part of the crew that won the Molokai Hoe in 1992), it is fitting that she is the artist behind this one-of-a-kind trophy for a race across the Pacific Ocean.

The multitasking Chun works in many media and is one of Hawai‘i’s leading conceptual artists. But whether she is welding steel cages, manipulating digital images or doing a site-specific installation, water is a current that runs strongly through her oeuvre.

In the lobby of the Prince Waikiki, near the Waikiki Yacht Club, you can see Chun’s stunning installation

Hulali i ka la—hundreds of hand-hammered spear-head-shaped slices of copper hanging from the ceiling, appearing to race through space toward the harbor. *Hulali i ka la* means “glistening in the sun,” and it is Chun’s interpretation of the hinana, or o‘opu (stream gobi), that teemed in the muliwai (estuary) that once thrived where the hotel now sits. The copper fish are arranged in the shape of the stream that once flowed to the water.

It is a work that may not seem to have a connection to the handsome canoes she makes for Transpac, but “the contemporary and the traditional are not exclusive of each other,” explains Chun. “Both inform the other and I feel so grateful that they are so interconnected. I approach the canoe as I do contemporary work—that allows me to infuse the work with a solid conceptual foundation and to continue this type of practice using contemporary materials. It’s a privilege to be doing that. Both are relevant, and pieces like *Hulali i ka la*, in its Waikiki context, become even more meaningful.”



Chun assisted Wright Bowman, Sr., on two canoe trophies for Transpac. The very first one they made together is in her home. “I keep that as a reference point,” she says. “I have strived to make each canoe the highest quality that I can. I learn new things with each one. One of the most important things Mr. Bowman shared with me is I don’t need to know how to do something, because I have the capability of figuring it out and finding the solution. If I don’t remember how to do something—I know what it should look like, I know certain proportions, so I can figure it out and that to me is the most important thing.” And today Chun is in turn assisted by Nicholas Bright, a young artist and fellow OCC member (his father is Winged “O” Bill Bright) who has been an indispensable part of her practice since 2005.

For each canoe, Chun starts with drawings by Mr. Bowman. “I have them in different scales,” she says. “The one I usually use for the Transpac race is about

Opposite, left: Kaili Chun doublechecks the rigging on the double-hulled canoe she crafted for Transpac. **Opposite right:** With her assistant Nicholas Bright amid the installation *Net-work* by Chun and Hongtao Zhou at the Honolulu Museum of Art in 2017.

Above: Chun with an array of o’o, implements used for working the land, that she crafted. They are an example of not only her fine woodworking skills, but of how traditional art informs her contemporary art.

three feet long. This year they are celebrating 50 years, so I have made this larger four-foot-long canoe.”

“The hulls are the hard part—it is increasingly difficult to get four-by-four-foot pieces of koa,” says Chun. She chose maple for the manu, or curved endpieces covering the fore and aft parts of the hull, to re-create the color contrast found on the Hokule’a. From the ‘iako (the arched crossbeams that fasten the ama to the



Chun's meticulously made double-hulled canoes are based on drawings by her mentor, master canoe builder and wood carver Wright Bowman, Sr.

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hull) to the mast (kia), Chun creates every part. “You gotta make them, sand them, oil them, lacquer them. Then you put them on and lash them down.” For six months, she and Bright toiled over the pieces at night, after work. Then the last two weeks they shifted into high gear, working all day and night on the canoe.

On July 26, the canoe was given to the crew of Seattle-based *Hamachi*, which was the overall winner of Transpac 2019. “We were on stage and it was so big and so beautiful,” says co-captain Shawn Dougherty, who looks forward to learning more about outrigger sailing canoes. The *Hamachi* got in on Sunday, July 21, at 2:20am, and that night Dougherty, a member of the reciprocal Washington Athletic Club, had a crew and family dinner at the Club that night. “There’s no better venue for that,” he said. And he spent the rest of the week at the Club, saying “it’s a great way to wind down—or rather, recharge—after crossing the Pacific in a boat.”

Dougherty and his co-captain Jason Andrews believe their win is really a win for the entire Pacific

Northwest sailing community. “Everyone we race against all the time make us better racers,” says Dougherty. So while the canoe will reside at the Washington Athletic Club (Dougherty wants to create a case and pedestal based on the one holding the Club’s *Manu O Ku*), he plans to take it on a sort of tour of yacht clubs interested in hosting it. Even the Palisade Restaurant, on the Elliott Bay Marina, has heard about the canoe and would like to be included.

When asked if it was hard to part with each canoe, Chun replied, “I love making them. I like sending them out—they should go out into the world. I think it helps. They go on their little journeys and people will learn something from them, especially in the wake of the *Hokule’a*’s Mālama Honua tour. Today more people are aware of our traditional practices and our navigational practices. If you look at today’s multi-hull racers, one could say the design came from our double-hulled canoes.” ■



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[USA Volleyball Boys Junior National Championships in Dallas, Texas](#)

➤ **The Outrigger Canoe Club sent** five junior boys teams to the USA Volleyball Boys Junior National Championships in Dallas, Texas, June 30 through July 7. It was the Club's largest contingent of teams at the Nationals in many years and continued the long-standing relationship between the Outrigger and USA Volleyball.

All teams competed fiercely and represented the Club well. Four of the teams competed in the Open division of their age groups, the highest level of competition possible. The OCC 14 and Under team coached by Max Clini and the OCC 16 and Under team coached by Danny Alvarez both had a 5th place finish.

New players and coaches have revitalized the Club's volleyball program. As is well known, at least six club members, who competed for the Club or grew up around Outrigger Volleyball, are currently competing for spots on the USA Olympic



team headed to Tokyo in 2020. The current crop of Outrigger players (and perhaps future Olympians) continues the Club's high-level volleyball on a national stage, a more than 50-year tradition unmatched by any club in the nation .



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2019 Surf Jam Was a Hit

➤ **Surfers of all ages** and categories took advantage of the favorable tide and conditions at the 2019 Surf Jam on July 6, having fun with a two- to three-foot south swell.

The canoe surf and tandem events lit up the crowd of friends and family cheering on the beach. Club volunteers handled judging, registration and the Surf Committee–designed hat and T-shirts sales (more are being ordered and will be available at the upcoming Surf Night!). The ski patrol made sure it was a safe and fun lineup for competitors. Mahalo to the OCC staff, members, friends and businesses for the support in putting on a great event!

(Surf Jam results on pages 30 & 31)

Photos (top to bottom): Doug Ostrem on his way to capturing 2nd place Kayak. • Sam Owen, 1st place Junior Men (19–39) and Boys (15–18); David Markle, 3rd place Junior Men; Brendan Bradley, 2nd place Junior Men. • Terri Needels (in white) and daughter Jenna Frowein (in pink) took 2nd and 3rd place in the Women's Open Division. • Give a hand to all the participants!



Employees of the Month



Erlinda Abad

JUNE 2019

Locker Room and Laundry

► **An essential member** of the Locker Room and Laundry staff, Erlinda Abad joined the Outrigger Canoe Club ‘ohana in 1994. She retired in 2011, but after just six months, she rejoined the team as needed on-call! That’s 25 years of efficient and effective service and dedication. Locker Room supervisor Chery Martinez says that Erlinda is always available when the Club requires her help, and her help was definitely needed during the busy summer season! She may work quietly behind the scenes, but Erlinda makes a big difference for the membership and her coworkers.

Mahalo, Erlinda, and congratulations on your honor!

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2019 Surf Jam Results

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS!

Girls 15-18

1 Mehana Leafchild

Open Women

- 1 Kaili Chun
- 2 Terri Needels
- 3 Jenna Frowein

Junior Men (19-39)

- 1 Sam Owen
- 2 Brendan Bradley
- 3 David Markle

Senior Men (40-59)

- 1 Matt White
- 2 Jimmy Austin
- 3 Jon Steiner

Wise People (60+)

- 1 Stan Brown
- 2 Rick Hobson
- 3 Peter Balding, Jr



Marie Felton

JULY 2019
Business Office

► **Since Marie Felton started** working at the Outrigger Canoe Club in 1987, as a welcoming presence at the Hostess Stand, she has been honored as Employee of the Month multiple times and was named Employee of the Year in 2005. Any member that has had the pleasure of speaking with Marie on the phone will agree that she brings the same aloha spirit to her current role in the Business Office. Controller Jocelyn Apo notes that “Marie is so polite on the phone; answering members’ questions with thoughtfulness and patience. She is extremely helpful explaining statements and assisting with payments.”

Thank you, Marie, for your gracious service with aloha!

2019 Surf Jam Results

Tandem

- 1 Kaimana Balding/Troy Brandt
- 2 Micah Pederson/
Jackson Spottswood
- 3 Kobey Damon/Quenn Sellers

SUP Men

- 1 Billy Pratt
- 2 Jamey Steiner
- 3 Jordan Brandt

Kayak

- 1 Chuck Hill
- 2 Doug Ostrem

Surf Canoe

- 1 Jimmy Austin, Billy Balding,
Malia Gacutan, Hi'e Louie
- 2 Sam Clemens, Derooy Lupica,
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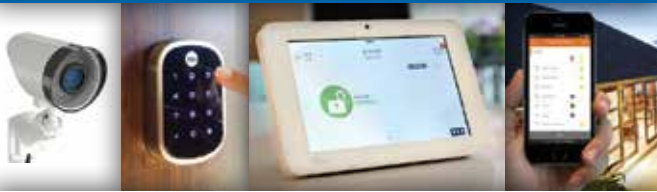
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Master Strokes: Annual Castle Swim

Swim off that Thanksgiving meal Dec. 1

➔ **This year marks the 102nd Castle Swim**—the Club's oldest athletic event. Be a part of club history and dive in December 1 (the Sunday after Thanksgiving). The approximately 1.25-mile course begins at the Club's original Waikiki site (where the Outrigger Waikiki Beach Resort now sits) and finishes at the OCC beach.

The members-only race is open to all ages and includes a complimentary breakfast for swimmers and their escorts. The organizers recommend a paddling escort

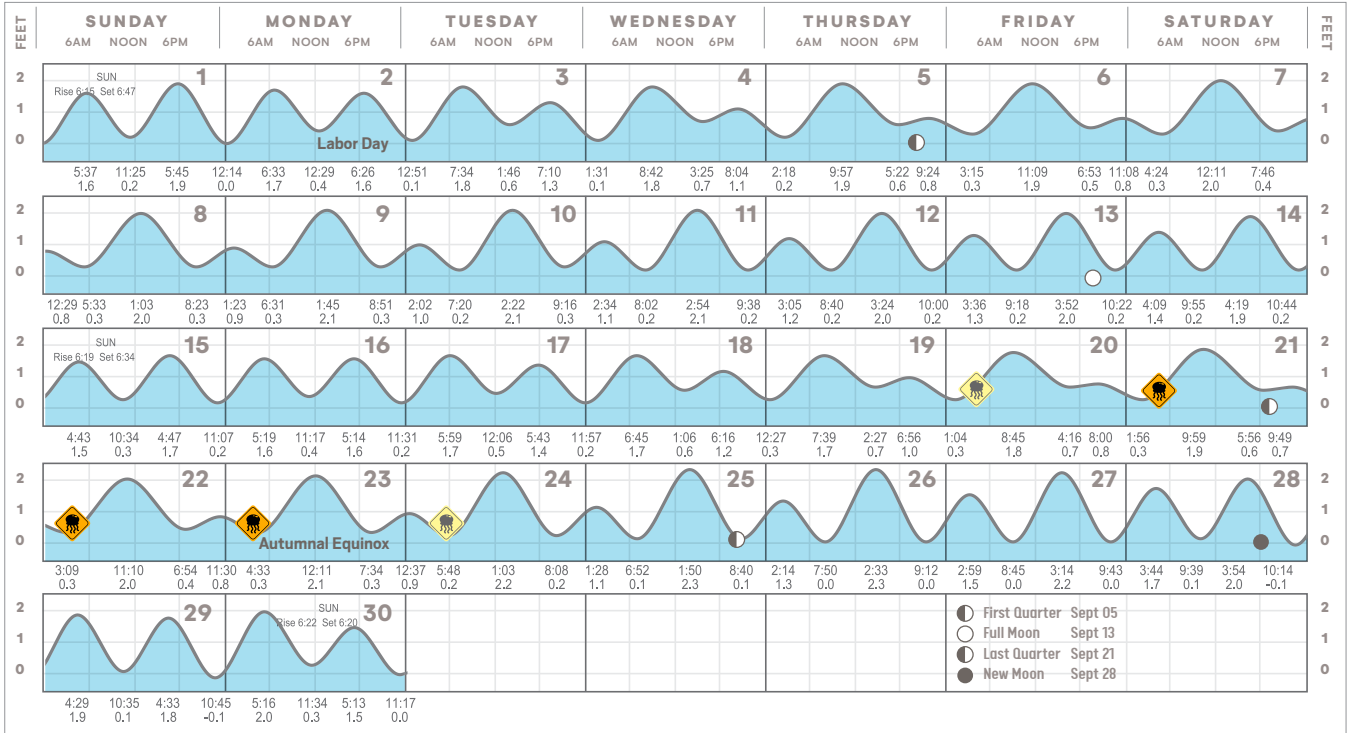
for guidance on the course. Pre-register at the Front Desk. Race day check-in begins at 7:45am at the Hau Terrace and a bus will transport



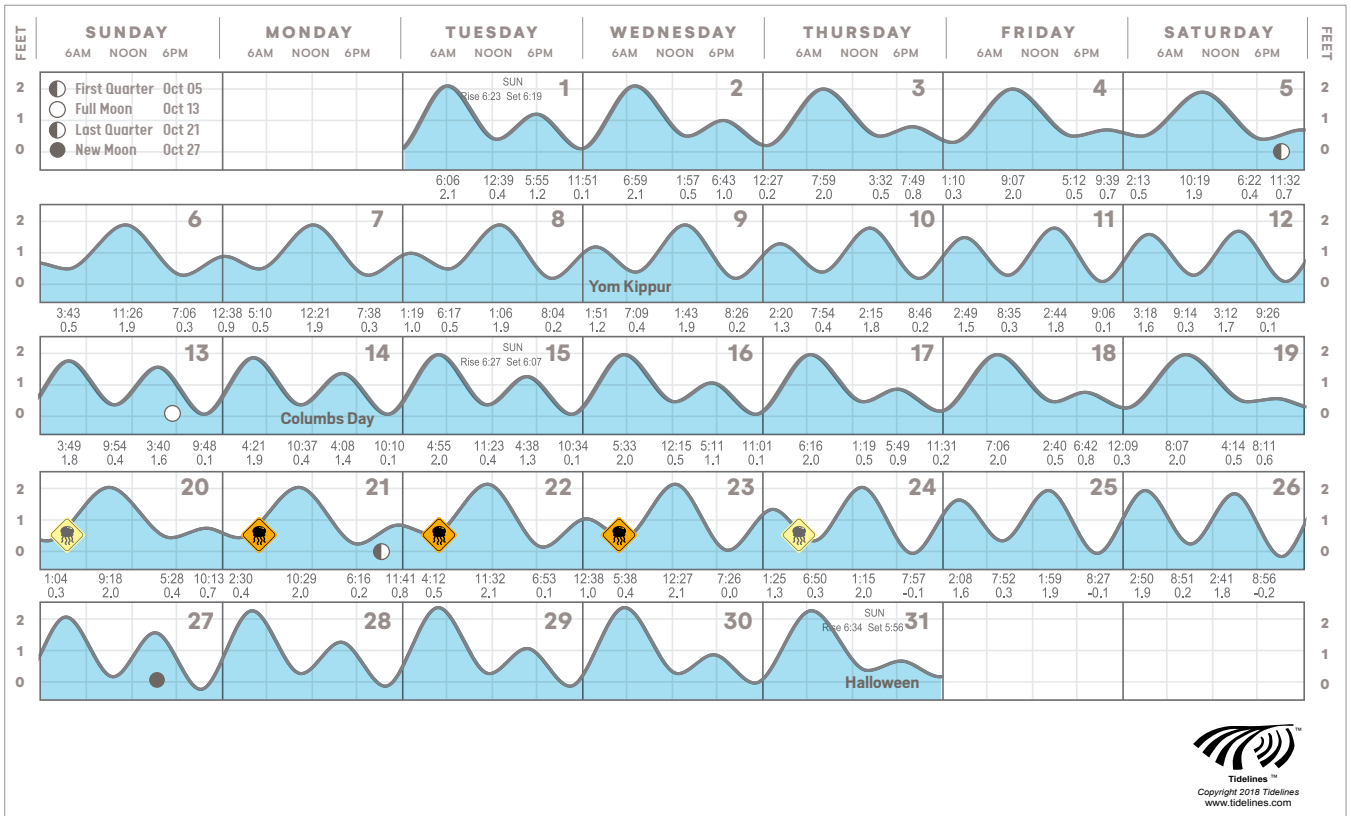
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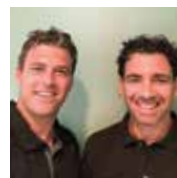
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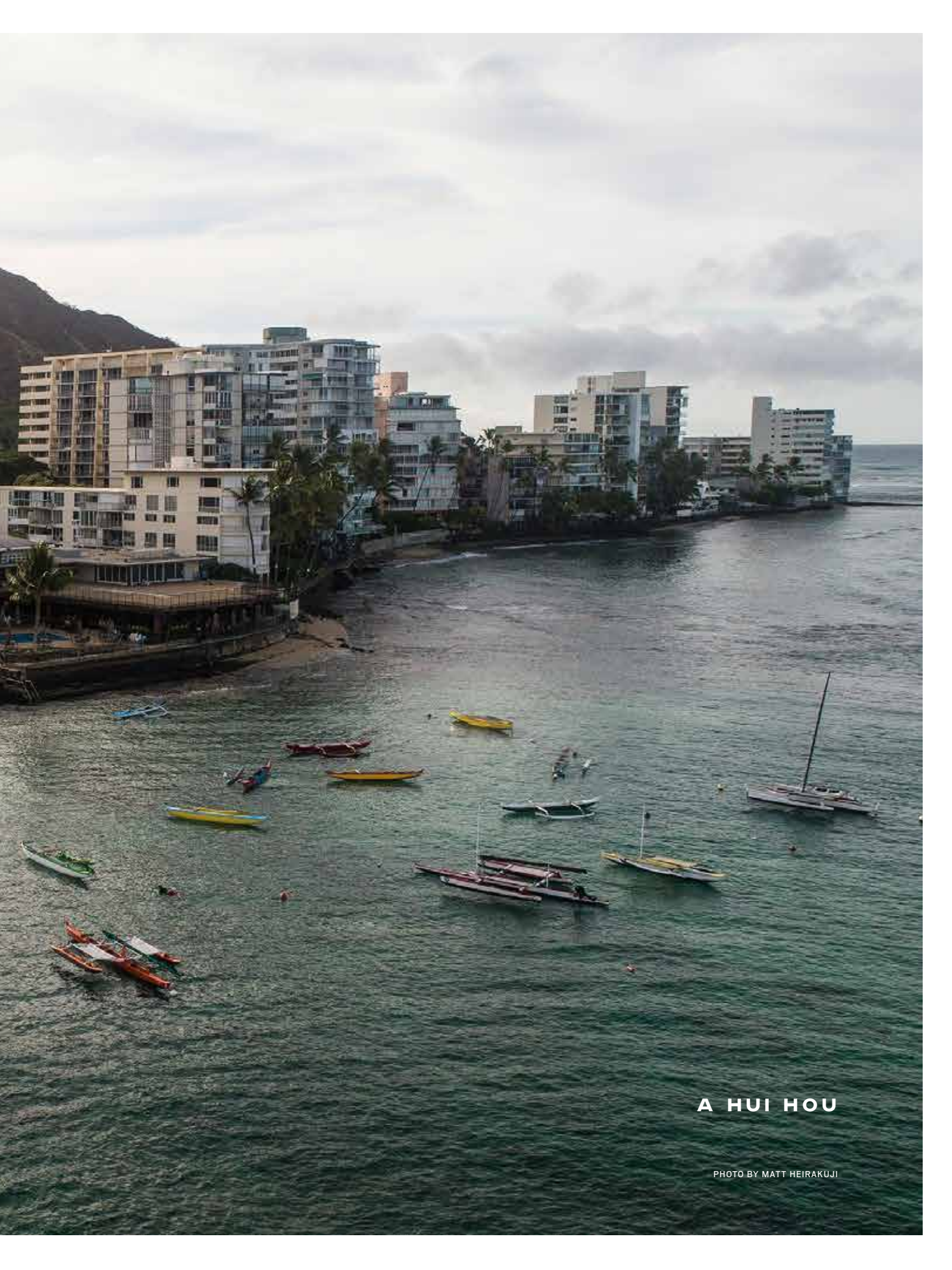
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