

Outrigger wins all 3 weekend distance races

Outrigger Canoe Club of Honolulu swept all three prizes in the weekend's 7th annual Queen Liliuokalani Long Distance Canoe Races in Kona.

The women took the first victory in Saturday's 14-mile race from Keauhou to Honaunau Saturday, then the men held off 50 other crews in a 26-miler Sunday from Honaunau to Kailua.

The OCC men finished some two miles ahead of the nearest crew for the fiberglass and overall trophy. Imua, a team of Hawaiians from Southern California, finished second ahead of Hui Nalu and Outrigger's koa canoe came in fourth overall to win that division.

Kai Opuu of Kona was the best Neighbor Island crew in the men's field, finishing eighth in the koa division and ninth in the fiberglass.