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MOLOKAI-OAHU CANOE RACE

Preparations are under way for the annual running of the Molokai-Oahu Canoe Race, Sunday, October 15th. The Outrigger is training for this race under the direction of Al Lemes. A rigorous training schedule has been set up for the paddlers who train with runs to Koko Head, Honolulu Harbor and other distant points. Many of the paddlers who were in the race in last year's illfated attempt have returned to make this into a victorious year for the Outrigger Canoe Club. Among those who have returned are Glenn Perry, Jody D'Enbeau, Fred Hemmings, Mark Buck and Tom Holmes. New paddlers to the effort this year are Hal Burchard, Mike Clifford, Jon Haneberg, Henry Ayau, Bruce Clifford, Bob Mitchell and Bob Moore. Many of these paddlers competed this past Labor Day in the new Lanai-Kaanapali Race in which Outrigger took 2nd place, by a scant 50 feet. The paddlers will use the Kakina this year rather than Leilani. The Kakina, having been recently rebuilt by George Perry, is thought to be a better boat for Molokai-Channel conditions. The Kakina just completed perhaps the most successful racing year of her career in the summer canoe racing season, she posted wins in all conditions from the surf at Waikiki to the afternoon chop in Nawiliwili Harbor, Kauai. Be on hand Sunday afternoon, the 15th, to watch your crew come by the Club. It should be a memorable occasion and we all hope it will be Kakina first around the point. The probable time of the crews passing the Club will be posted in the front lobby. For those of you who have small boats, come out for a first-hand look at your crew but note, stay well clear of the canoe, any contact with the boat could mean a disqualification.