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When we saw we were four affaiths down at the first flag, mompson said. we decided it - all our technique and firresse" went right out the window."

So they dug in. And with a the roce and wring the last drop of suspense out of a regatla dominated by Hui Nalu as few regattas have been dominated before.

Hul Naiu, the powerful Hawaii Kai club, scored 87 points to runner-up Healani's 47, Lanikat and Outrigger tied for third with 45 points each.

Hui Naiu took , nine first places, eight seconds, one third and two fourths. It was the club's fourth OHCRA title in the last five years. The title was clinched with 10 of the 25 events still to be run, after back-to-back victories by Hui Nalu's senior women and senior men midway through the meet swelled its total to 57 points.

Hul Nalu coach Kala Kukea could scarcely believe the haul. At day's end, Thompson told him, "I think I heard 84 (points)."

"Gee, I don't know - I can't

A few minutes later, it was blared over the loudspeakers -"Hui Nalu, 87" - and Kukea Supplied of the supplied of th ing his sandwich

"Hui Nalu walked away with today's regatta," said Steve

upper-division men. "They just did so well in the kids, winning the first two races."

"It was kind of like a snowball this year," Kukea said. "Some of our crews did well, page, steersman for and everybody size got pumped favored Hui Nalu, saw to win. The club is strong this at yesterday's Oahu championships we use our strongest - and our strongest this year is pretty good."

Kukea's strongest crew is probably the one he paddles for the senior men, whose only loss in 10 races this summer was a was going to be a muscle race roll-of-the-dice surl race off Walkiki.

But Lanikai's young and hungry seniors led Hui Nalu for 31/2 half-mile to go. Hui Nalu mus- miles yesterday before succled its way past Lanikai to win cumbing to its weakness on

cooch of Outrigger's turns and Hut Naluis exper

"With a half-mile to go, we said, 'Tommy, it's up to you,' Thompson said of Tom Conner, the senior stroke. Conner upped the pace from 60 to about 66 strokes a minute, "At a quartermile (from the finish) we were

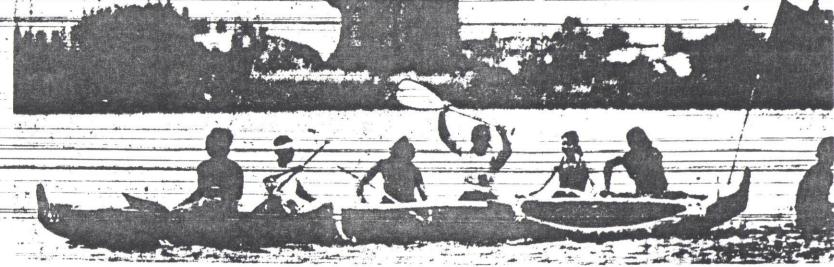
about at a sprint."
Hut Natu finished in 83 minutes, 19.8 seconds - 7.3 seconds ahead of Lanikai. "It was our hardest race of the season by far, said Thompson, who is co-owner of a chain of shave ice stands in Hawaii and Southern California. But as hard as it was, it was exciting and really good fun."

Part of the fun comes from the fact that three members of

See Hui Nalu on Page C-5

To the victor went the spoils yesterday at Keeni Lagoon, as Hui Nalu's Myron Thompson can attest (right) as he gets a kiss from fellow club member Pam Hoffman and holds the perpetual trophy given to the Oahu HCRA champion. Other Hui Nalu paddlers (below) rejoice after crossing the finish line first in the junior women's race. The peddlers, from left, are Kehau Pruet, Marian Lyman-Mersereau, Lanakila Spenser, Michelle Kapana, Nancy Rocheleau and Kehau McGuire.





Hui Nalu muscles out competition

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Lanikai's senior men paddled the junior event for Hui Nalu last year, and a friendly rivalry has sprouted.

"There's a very good feeling between our crews," said Steve Woods, one of the Hui Nahu emigres who now paddles for and coaches Lanikai's seniors. "Hey, we learned everything we know from them."

Said Thompson, "After the race I went up to Steve and asked him. Where'd you get that start?" He said from us."

Woods, Barry McKewon and Ray Lum left Hui Nalu because they realized they wouldn't crack the club's senior lineup. Hui Nalu's seniors, have been together for years, and we realized we couldn't just blend in. Woods said. We wanted to paddie seniors.

Woods thinks his crew—which also includes Steve Cole, Curt Sumida, Mike Knott, Rocky Owens, and Kalani Young—has a chance to knock off Hui Nalu at the HCRA state met in Hilo Saturday.

"It's only two miles with not as many turns, and we usually give up a little ground on the turns," he said. "Our advantage is that we're still improving — our main goal is distance traces)."

The Hawaiian Warriors' 36over men's crew won yesterday to join Hul Nalu's seniors as the OHCRA crews to have just one loss for the season.

Kailua's sophomore women's crew won its race yesterday and finished with the best women's record: eight victories, one "surf loss" and one victory

nullified because of disqualifica-

Diffrent strokes: A school of baby sharks swam around the canoes at Keehi Lagoon yesterday. "I think they were more playful than hungry." Myron Thempson said. No interies were reported . . . Many donations were made at: yesterday's OHCRA race to the Molokai Canoe Club, whose fiberglass canoe was destroyed and koa canoe damaged recently by a fire. Donations will continue to be accepted. . . . John Reed of KKUA is soliciting Honolulu businesses to sponsor canbe regattas and distance races. Desired contribution? About \$1,200 per regatta.

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