

# KAM DAY PAGEANT AND SPORTS SUCCESSFUL

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Color, gayety, music and pageantry reigned all their splendor at the Kamehameha Day celebration Saturday afternoon at Waikiki beach front of the Outrigger Canoe Club.

With a total of 22 points, Waikiki Surf Club registered an easy win over Hui Nalu and Outrigger Canoe clubs who trailed with 8 and 5 points, respectively, in the aquatic races.

Gay festivities were under way at 1:30 p.m. with King Kamehameha (Sam Fuller) and his court of five stalwarts marching onto the platform to rule over the traditional hookupu and aquatic races.

First of the four outriggers to arrive at the beach was the canoe representing the island of Hawaii. Led by Chief Jimmy Loa and his crew of five, they marched leisurely to the presence of the king to do him obeisance.

Victoria (Vickie) Li and her trio of Aggie-ton, Haleloke Kahaulopua and Aileen Ma-ula sang sweet haunting refrains as each of the four crews came and went.

## *The Chiefs*

The chiefs besides Jimmy Loa of the Big Island were J. Apo of Kauai, John D. Kaupiko of Maui and William (Bill) Doane of Molokai.

According to the best hookupu traditions, each of the crews brought the king presents including bananas, pineapples, coconuts, papayas and two live pigs.

Incidentally, winners of these porkers were Hui Nalu sextet in the senior men's open canoe race and the Waikiki Surfing club girls' open senior canoe team.

Clad in red mahioles (helmets) and yellow capes, Kamehameha and his court of four were Johnny Kaahue, Sammy Mokuahi, Jimmy Clerk and Jimmy Mitchell.

They occupied a beautifully decorated stand adorned with green ti leaves and coconut fronds. Four giant marigold, one red lehua and yellow lehua kahilis added color and regal pomp to the occasion.

## *Presented Before King*

All winning crews were presented before the king and he personally congratulated the victors. To express his appreciation, the king observed the hookupu, the ancient Hawaiian art of gift-giving. The victors were richly rewarded.

The aquatic meet itself was a decided success with the Hui Nalu sextet under Capt. R. Kekai copping the blue ribbon event, men's open canoe

race, in 9 minutes, 57 seconds. Waikiki Surf and Outrigger Canoe clubs were second and third, respectively.

Officials of the meet were Bob Fischer, Bill Mullahey, Sam Poepoe, Buster Shim, Chris Cusack, Johnny Black and Herb Case, judges; Carlos Rivas, announcer, and E. P. (Ted) Magill, club manager.

### *Results*

Results of aquatic events:

1—Canoe race (children 16 and under): Won by Waikiki Surf club (F. Freitas, A. Yates, S. Mokihini, M. Mokihini, M. Kuuipo and Capt. Blue Makua); Hui Nalu, second; Outrigger Canoe club, third. Time, 10 min. 41 sec.

2—Girls canoe race, open: Won by Waikiki Surf club (V. Makua, N. Olivieri, M. Magoon, F. Muller, L. Paskowitz and Capt. Blue Makua); Outrigger Canoe club, second. Time, 12 min. 5 sec.

3—Men's surfboard race, open: Won by E. Whaley; Bob Krewson, second; J. K. Toomey, third; all of Waikiki Surf club.

4—Men's canoe race, open: Won by Hui Nalu (H. Apo, H. A. Ahuna, G. Young, S. Kekai, R. Makua and Capt. R. Kekai); Waikiki Surf club, second; Outrigger Canoe club, third. Time, 9 min. 57 sec.

5—Special men's "panini" race: Won by Hui Nalu; Outrigger Canoe club, second; Hui Nalu team 2, third.