



An innovation was the choice seat of the judges. L to R are: Joe Maunakea, Wilmer Morris and Ernie Stenberg seated on a double canoe platform, in the shade and judging the finish.

—Billy Howell pic.

PRE-KONA PADDLING PATTERN

By FRED HEMMINGS

With a swoosh that rivalled the jets overhead the Outrigger swept Keehi waters clean. At long last, Oahu Champions; (and it couldn't have come at a more opportune regatta) for this one was honoring an Outrigger "Stalwart" the illustrious "Dad" Center. Obviously it was an "Outrigger Day," right from the start as our Mighty Mites (13 & under) led off with their best effort of the year, a third place, good for two solid points. The regatta itself had a twofold purpose, not only to determine the Oahu Champs but also to determine which clubs would be amongst the five entrants from Oahu Racing at Kona for the Territorial Championships. With this type of incentive the competition was especially keen.

WINNING COMBINATION

Coach Downing made several shifts amongst the crews and apparently found the winning combination as was evidenced by the Mighty Mites using the best looking Lemes (Mike), usually a stroke, at the other end of the boat steering with a new face called Peter Guard at the number three position. In the sec-



Another innovation was the water communication. Young Tom Fearon nobly relayed results from the judges to the recorder via surfboard special delivery. He did a fine job too and kept the results comparatively dry.

—Billy Howell pic.

L to R: Chuck Shrader, Doug Muirhead, Scott May and Shippy Kealoha, towers of strength in our four men crew.

—Bi'ly Howell pic.



ond race of the day the crew was unchanged for the very simple reason that they were already a winning combination. The "Prettiest Crew in the World" (Girls Novice) won going away. This group is a good example of what conscientious training will do for you. They were so good they made it look easy.

The third event found the Outrigger in trouble with the Boys Novice boat being struck, in the turn, by the Waikiki Surf entry. Outrigger crossed the line in fifth spot thus qualifying for Kona. However, both clubs filed protests as a result of the collision. The Race Committee judges, following the crews, ruled in favor of Waikiki Surf's entry thus disqualifying the Outrigger Canoe and moving them out of the Kona picture.

The Boys Under 15 contributed a handy three points with a second place and the Boys Under 17 boomed across the finish, a-going-away first for a fat five on the score board. At the end of the first half, Freshman race, sixth event, the score stood as follows: Healani 19, OCC 17 and WSC 17. However, OCC's power was about to show. The kids brought in four firsts out of the remaining six races.

SENIOR SIX CHAMPS

The seventh event of the day was the Blue Ribbon Senior Six and today the

Waikiki Surf Club is pondering, what happened. With George "High Protein" Downing stroking, Outrigger took the lead and was never headed; in fact, never even challenged. This is no effort to lighten the competition but the fact still remains that the Senior Six travelled about one eighth of the two miles with only five paddles in a six-man event. Stranger than fiction. A couple of hundred yards from the last turn the extra paddle placed behind the steersman fell out of the boat. In rounding the turn, on the "une," Stroke George "High Protein" Downing broke his paddle and with good crew discipline everybody passed his forward, including the steersman Douglas "Double Duty" Carr. It wasn't long thereafter that "Double Duty" realized it was hard to steer without a paddle. Gently tapping the number five, Arch "The Beard" Kaaua, "Double Duty" politely asked for his paddle so they could head for the finish. On regaining control the wayward paddle was spotted almost dead ahead and with a gentle scooping motion and no loss of strokes it was retrieved; after that it was easy.

GIRLS WIN TOO

At the end of the eighth event, the score stood Healani 22, OCC 22, WSC



Scenes at Walter Macfarlane Memorial Races. From top down: Men's Junior 4 canoes at finish. Freshman 6—a perfect start. OCC Girls' Novice 6 warm up. Another perfect start by Men's Junior 6.

—Billy Howell pics.

21. In the ninth the Outrigger's Mystery crew, Junior Girls, (it's a mystery how they win without training) turned in their usual first for five fat ones. Score OCC 27, WSC 24, Healani 22.

The tenth showed the Senior 4 Men, with Sorrell, Moore, Smith and good old "Double Duty" in that order, displaying rare form and crossing a happy first for another five. Douglas Carr should get something more than a name "Double Duty" for he steered both Senior events and both times brought home the bacon. End of the tenth OCC 32, WSC 26 and Healani still 22.

O.C.C. OAHU CHAMPS

The Junior Men 6 qualified for Kona in fourth place and added one. OCC 33, WSC 28, Healani 27. For the first time this season the Senior Girls approached the last event of the day without the usual pressure on them of having to win first place for Outrigger to win the regatta. Therefore very plainly relaxed and with great calm they proceeded to shellac their usual stiff competition, the Waikiki Surf Senior Lassies. Final tally OCC 38, WSC 31, Healani 29 and Outrigger the Oahu Champs.

With a short final ceremony the Grand Old Man of Hawaiian Water Sports, "Dad" Center, presented trophies to each winning crew. So, pau for now and on to Kona with the fervent hope that we repeat for the Red and White.

MAUI CANOEING

On July 7 Healani Canoe Club visited Maui for canoe races to be held at Kahului Harbor. This was an effort to stimulate interest in paddling on Maui, the only major island without a canoe club. It is hoped that Maui will be able to train and enter crews for the great Molokai-Oahu race during 1957 Aloha Week and in future events.

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WINDWARD OAHU RACES

While five clubs fought for honors at the Walter Mac races at Waikiki another regatta was held at Kailua Bay, Oahu on July Fourth.

Holomua Canoe Club won with 23 points followed in order by Kai Oni and Lanikai with 17 points each. The event is held annually and named the Windward Oahu Canoe Regatta.

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AIKANE CAT UNOFFICIAL WINNER

The 40 foot catamaran, unofficial entry in the Trans-Pac Yacht Races, made the voyage in 10 days and 8 hours and was first sailing craft to arrive. Rudy Choy, skipper, averaged nine knots per hour for the trip of 2225 nautical miles from San Pedro. It is the hope of the catamaran fleet that the Trans-Pac Club will recognize these craft and make a class for them in forthcoming races.



Senior 4 off to races.

—Billy Howell pic.

OUTRIGGER CLUB OAHU CHAMPS

The Outrigger Canoe Club upset Wai-kiki Surf Club to take the team title and also two senior races in the Oahu canoe racing championships at Kechi Lagoon on July 21.

The O.C.C. men's senior six won by three lengths over the W.S.C. crew in the feature 2-mile race in 17 minutes flat.

In the women's senior the Outrigger crew finished two lengths ahead of Wai-kiki Surf Club with a time of 5:26 for the half-mile event.

O.C.C. won 38 points for the team championship. W.S.C. followed with 31, Healani 29, Kai Oni 18, Holomua 8, Hui Nalu 5 and Lanikai 3.

The '57 racing season ends August 3 with the staging of the Territorial championships at Kailua, Kona.

Results:

Boys six, 13 years and under— $\frac{1}{4}$ mile: 1, WSC (C. Lindsey, S. Griep, B. Hipa, M. Lee, D. Delovio, J. Kin-vone). Time: 2:26.2.

Girls six, novice— $\frac{1}{2}$ mile: 1, OCC (L. Willers, D. Damon, J. Givens, P. Deming, J. Rink, G. Fischbeck); 2, Healani; 3, WSC; 4, Holomua. Time: 5:26.1.

Boys six, novice— $\frac{1}{2}$ mile: 1, Healani (D. Kaaekuahiwi, W. Allen, A. Uahinui, B. Baker, M. Kekuewa, J. Sequi-to); 2, WSC; 3, Holomua; 4, Hui Nalu. Time: 4:11.1.

Boys six, 15 years and under— $\frac{1}{2}$ mile: 1, WSC (M. Ching, H. Hipa, D. Stroud, J. Chee, D. Defries, I. Kalama); 2, OCC; 3, Healani; 4, Holomua. Time: 4:34.

Boys six, 17 years and under—1 mile: 1, OCC (J. Fischbeck, N. Beck, G. Halpern, T. Merrill, D. Kilpatrick, B. Hemmings); 2, Healani; 3, WSC; 4, Kai Oni. Time: 8:48.4.

Boys six, freshman—1 mile: 1, Healani (J. Meyer, D. Ane, V. Marciel, S. Oda, S. Lee, M. Vincent); 2, Kai Oni; 3, OCC; 4, Lanikai. Time: 8:30.8.

Men six, senior—2 miles: 1, OCC (G. Downing, A. Lemes, T. Moore, J. Smith, A. Kaaua, D. Carr); 2, WSC; 3, Kai Oni; 4, Hui Nalu. Time: 17:00.

Men four, junior— $\frac{1}{2}$ mile: 1, Kai Oni (E. Santimer, P. Nakachi, J. Souza, R. Marugame); 2, Healani; 3, Hui Nalu; 4, WSC. Time: 4:36.1.

Women six, junior— $\frac{1}{2}$ mile: 1, OCC (K. Kea, P. Soule, E. Lemon, J. Wylie, L. Danford, C. Hemmings); 2, WSC; 3, Lanikai; 4, Holomua. Time: 5:36.4.

Men four, senior—1 mile: 1, OCC (R. Sorrell, A. Lemes, J. Smith, D. Carr); 2, Kai Oni; 3, WSC; 4, Hui Nalu. Time: 9:14.6.

Men six, junior—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile: 1, Healani (D. Pires, J. Topolinski, E. Neves, H. Anakalea, T. Gray, H. Ching); 2, Kai Oni; 3, WSC; 4, OCC. Time: 13:12.4.

Women six, senior— $\frac{1}{2}$ mile: 1, OCC (J. Beadle, G. Downing, J. Anderson, B. Corbett, R. Thomas, B. Baird); 2, WSC; 3, Healani; 4, Kai Oni. Time: 5:26.