

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

My athletic viewpoint is, "Do your best with the personnel available and winning or losing becomes secondary."

I have the following comments to offer on the 1953 canoe racing season, which comprised seven Regattas from May 21 to September 7, 1953.

Equipment

Satisfactory, although one more "work boat" would help.

Personnel

Male personnel is good and can stand up against any with proper coaching. Female personnel is not as physically rugged as the opposition, but did very well.

Results

Won Oahu Championships July 12, in Honolulu Harbor. Finished second (by one point) in Territorial Championships in Kona, although capsizing two crews (Freshman and Senior Men).

Recommendations 1954 Canoe Racing Season—Coaching

Use a coaching pool of at least six men to handle eleven crews.

Hawaii Trip

This trip in 1953 cost \$1,627.18, less \$500.00 contributed by the Hawaiian Canoe Racing and Surfing Association. I question the value received in lodging and food and suggest serious consideration be given this matter for 1954.

July 4th, 1953—Walter Macfarlane Regatta—Cost \$833.01

This cost seems very high, after deducting \$462.60 for medals.

Volleyball Program

I have felt this was very well managed and Chairman Hugh Howard is writing a separate report on this activity. We have the best two-man teams in the Territory in this sport.

It might be wise to consider closing off the courts with a netting to protect members and guests using the central walk to the Dining Room and Bar.

Castle Swim—Thanksgiving Day, 1953

If this is to be considered in 1954, Mr. Minvielle should be instructed to call all Coaches together first, to determine the time of year such a program should be put on to aid in the Hawaiian AAU Swimming Program for 1954.

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