

Roughwater Swim

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As we went to press, Outrigger swimmers were preparing for the annual Waikiki Roughwater Swim held on Labor Day. Long a co-sponsor of the event, the Club customarily provides outrigger canoe escorts for the swimmers, and also has a club van at the finish line for those who wish to ride back to OCC after the presentation of the awards. The club will have a cooler with liquid (both kinds), muffins, oranges and lots of ice cubes! Participants must swim from Sans Souci Beach to the Hilton Hawaiian Village, a

distance of 2¼ miles, for this feast!

Our members frequently place in class, so it is an exciting day for individual personal records as well as a chance to see what competitive swimmers from the Mainland look like. Most of the swimmers who came to Hawaii for this event already will have swum in the Maui Channel relays on Sept. 5.

A report on results of the Roughwater Swim, plus photographs, will appear in the October issue. And remember the OCC Castle Swim on Nov. 29.



THEY'RE OFF: Participants enter the water for last year's Roughwater Swim.