

Roughwater Swim

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Some 670 participants entered the water off Sans Souci Beach on Labor Day, Sept. 1, for the 11th annual Waikiki Roughwater Swim of 2¼ miles.

Outrigger Canoe Club, long a co-sponsor of the event which is now run by the City Parks and Recreation Department, annually provides the outrigger canoe escorts for the swimmers and displays the large Alexander Hume Ford "first to finish" trophy in the

weeks preceding the event.

Started 11 years ago by the Waikiki Swim Club, the roughwater swim has become a major event attracting participants from athletic clubs on the Mainland, Australia and Canada. The visitors take part in the Maui Channel Swim on the Sunday before the roughwater, and complete the weekend by enjoying the beautiful blue water off Waikiki.

It is difficult for us local folk to get used to the Californians, who haven't such good water to train in, coming here and getting the trophies, but that seems to be the case. This year the San Francisco Olympic Club won the Maui Channel Swim and three California men won the two special trophies awarded on Labor Day.

Results for the 20 OCC swimmers participating in the roughwater appear below. Although Outrigger had no team in the Maui Channel this year, Jimmy Dean and Ian Emberson from OCC did swim on the Waikiki Swim Club "A" team, which placed second in the 9-mile relay from Lanai to Lahaina.



THEY'RE OFF Top: Participants in the Roughwater swim set the water a-churning as they set off from Sans Souci Beach.

Above: Here are the Outrigger Club members who participated in the arduous swim.

		Division	
Division	Name	Time	Place
G-15	Cassie Senner	2:15:15	13
M-25	Jimmy Dean	0:54:41	2
	(3rd Overall)		
	Ian Emberson	0:58:56	4
	Bob Schneider	1:24:56	50
W-25	Lindsay Dodge	1:49:37	47
M-30	Ed Pickering	1:13:41	26
	Robert Bright	1:27:38	48
	Kit Collins	1:32:57	62
W-35	Mary Muirhead	1:36:41	8
	Elizabeth Lacy	1:47:16	13
	Gerry DeBenedetti	1:55:31	16
M-35	Jim Caldevell	1:05:31	8
	Roger Cundall	1:09:40	12
	Leighton Taylor	1:32:59	49
	Jon Haig	1:35:46	53
M-45	Jim Anderson	1:17:08	7
	Norm Dunmire	1:28:51	13
M-55	Wakey Mist	1:42:30	7
	Kim Woolaway	1:26:40	15
M-65	Jake Updegrove	1:51:37	2

Monday Night Football

Tuesday-morning quarterbacks don't have to monopolize the home TV screen on Monday nights now that the Club is tuning in the games each week from 6 to 8:30 in the Bar Lanai. Beverages are served, plus hot carved roast beef or turkey sandwiches for those who want to stay on and rap about the game. All this and Howard Cosell too!