

Warren Kealoha Shows He Can Still Do Stuff; Meet Is Big Success

Hawaii's Woman Champion Comments on Dad Center's Aquatic Carnival; Has Boost for "Bob" Fuller, "Bunny" Wood, Other Local Favorites

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THE Japan-Hawaii Swimming Meet started off with a bang on Friday evening. The events were run off in splendid form and all of the spectators certainly must have enjoyed themselves. The first event was the 100 yards freestyle for Japanese. J. Komenaka of the Nuuanu Y walked off with the blue ribbon. He has been doing some hard training lately and his time of 1:02 was much faster than any of his previous records.



The 200 meters backstroke for men was the next race. Warren Kealoha showed the swimming fans that when he really wants to swim fast, he can do so. His time of 2:42:2 was only two-fifths of a second behind the record. Kimura of Japan came in a very good second. The real race was between Gay Harris of the Outrigger Canoe Club and Henry Luning of the Hui Makani. They were swimming stroke by stroke until the very last few yards when Gay put a little more reserve into his stroke and came in ahead of Luning. Warren Kealoha's wonderful performance in the backstroke event showed that he is still in the champions' class and that if he would have had just a little more competition he would have broken the record of 2:42:2.

WONDERFUL SWIMMER

The 100 meters freestyle for men started with Takaishi of Japan still on the mark. He lost about a body's length on the start, however, at the fifty mark he was only a yard behind Johnny Wood. Then Johnny collapsed, leaving Sam, the other Honolulu swimmer, to finish the race against the swimmers from Japan. At the hundred yard mark Takaishi stopped, a few yards ahead of Sam, thinking that it was the end of the race. Sam continued and won the race. A verdict of "no race" was later rendered. The race was ordered to be swum on Saturday evening.

The men who swam in the 100 yards breaststroke, service, exhibited some fine form in the event.

Little Miss Kirkwood, who swam unattached, won the 50 yard race for girls under fifteen in the fast time of 34:1. Miss Herren and Miss Slight both swam very nicely.

The 300 yards medley event for juniors was negotiated in much faster time than the open event. Hart Wood and Tommie Ellis battled it out over the first hundred in the breaststroke. Then Komenaka came in for the backstroke

hundred. The last hundred which was swum using the crawl stroke was very exciting. Hart Wood was ahead when they came down the home stretch with Komenaka second and Tommie Ellis gaining with every stroke. The race was a battle to the very end and a very good one at that. Wood was a good length ahead of Komenaka and a stroke ahead of Ellis at the finish.

FULLER SHOWS CLASS

Bob Fuller came back into the competitive world with a bang and a splash when he grabbed the blue ribbon for the contest. All records of athletes not being able to "come back" were shattered when Bob did almost perfect dives. All of the fans were very pleased to see Bob back again and they sincerely hope that he intends staying for a while.

Janice Lovett dashed off the 400 meters freestyle for women in the fast time of 6:07:2. Janice started out from the very start and kept the pace up until the 400 yard mark, then she gave one last sprint, showing the fans that if she had a little strong competition that she could easily lower that time to six minutes or even less. Miss Newport swam a very easy race, hardly changing her stroke from the start to the finish.

GREAT IS TAKAISHI

Takaishi showed the spectators that he was truly a champion when he finished the 400 meters race for men. The real race was between Benton Wood of the Outrigger Canoe club and Arai of Japan. Arai was ahead at the 350 yard mark, however, from that point "Bunny" came forth with a terrific sprint, which he kept up and which enabled him to pass Arai before the end of the race.

Every one of the events on the program was a fast one. The local talent was out in full force, and they certainly tried just as hard as the Japanese swimmers did in order to finish their races. The fans voted the meet a unanimous success.



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