

OUTRIGGER CLUB SWIMMERS CARRY OFF MAJOR HONORS IN MERMAID SWIM TOURNEY

Four Island Records Fall in Course of Evening: New Girl Stars Light Up Horizon; Plenty of Thrills

By MIKE JAY

They call her "Squeaky" and sometimes they call her "Mary" because it makes her angry, but it was Mariechen Wehselau who proved the big noise and the big splash in the fourth annual Hawaiian swimming meet for women Saturday night at Punahou tank. She and Helen Moses battled it out for the Swanzy cup and "Squeaky" won by a narrow squeak—a margin of two points.

Incidentally, these two stars helped the Outrigger Canoe club to carry off the honors of the meet with a total of 57 points, with the Hui Makani second with 21 points.

Incidentally also, four island records were shattered and both Mariechen Wehselau and Helen Moses had their share in setting up new marks.

It was too bad that there were not more fans present to see the whirlwind meet. The "wahine" tourney was scheduled last month and was postponed 30 days in order to get it out of the rainy season. Well, it did not rain Saturday night, but it threatened all the time with the result that the turnout was not as large as it should have been. But what the audience lacked in numbers it made up for in spirit. It was a lively meet with plenty of exciting finishes to bring the fans to their feet in a frenzy of cheering.

Started Fine

Mariechen Wehselau opened the meet auspiciously by shattering the island record for the century open. It was her race all the way and her performance showed that she has improved wonderfully since last season. Helen Moses tried hard and finished close behind the first star, but did not seriously threaten her.

The second record that "Squeaky" shattered Saturday was in the 50 yards backstroke. She broke this record Thursday night at the trials, making it in :38.4, but it was not allowed owing to the fact that there was only one official timer present. So Saturday night she broke it again, clipping one-fifth of a second.

She did not upset any mark in the 50 yards breast stroke, but she nosed out Helen Moses by a hand. This was a close race and all the girls were neck and neck down the stretch.

Helen Is Coming

Helen Moses performed in creditable style and made 19 points in the Swanzy cup tourney. She now has a total of 49 points, having made them in the course of three years. Mariechen has 42 points, made in two years swimming. Helen took first place in the spring-board diving and in the plunge. She made second place in the century open and the breast stroke. Mariechen got second place in the diving.

It was a close contest between Helen and Christine Smoot in the diving. Emily Bowmer scored third. Dolly Mooney was one of the neat performers in this event, but over eagerness caused her to make two or three big splashes which lost her the chance to star. The plunging was all Helen's. She not only broke the record but gave promise of becoming a world champion in this event.

Warren Stars

Warren Kealoha starred among the men. He cracked the tank record for the century in one of the most thrilling races of the night.

"Wild Bill" Harris had been expected to cop this event for the Outrigger canoe club, but Warren came through with a burst of speed at the finish and just beat out the surfer. Bill took a fair lead at the start of the second lap and made the first turn for the final quarter, but in that home stretch the Hui Makani men caught up and passed him.

No record fell in the backstroke because there was nobody to push Warren. Charles Pung, former Healani swimmer, turned first at the end of the initial 25 yards. He also was first on the second turn, but in the third lap Warren caught up and they made the final switch together. On the last quarter Warren moved ahead and his hand came up first at the finish. Gay Harris put up a good try and finished third.

Minor Events

In the minor events of the meet there was a new star brought out in Regalie Abreu of Maui. She swept the boards in the 50 yards novice for women and also took first place in the 25 yards for girls under 13. Eleanor Bickerton led the field in this race for most of the distance, but the Maui girl came through with flying colors at the finish. The Bickerton girl won the 25 yards for girls under 11 years.

There was never any question about Bill Simerson winning the men's plunge. It was only a question of whether he would break the

record. He came close to it with :37.4 and the judges gave him a fourth trial, but he could not make it. He won the event.

Specials

The special events saw Annie Guerrero of the Hui Makani win the 50 yards business girls' race. Four girls raced neck and neck to the finish and their hands clapped the finish boards in one-two-three-four order. Margaret Miller led for the first stage, but finished second.

The half century for public school girls brought out a new Kahanamoku star in Marie Kahana-moku of Kaahumanu school. She swims like brother Duke and she beat out Pearl Buffon of Central grammar, who led the field for three-fourths of the distance. It was another thrilling finish.

There were two relays. The men's relay was marked down as one of the finest ever staged in the islands. The school relay was won by McKinley and was a walk-over. The high school girls showed a wealth of training as compared to the other teams.

WHO'S WHO



OLD MAN'S GAME?—The first hundred years of golf are the hardest. So John Emery, Dorchester, Mass., started to play at three. Now at five he has won his first tournament on the Wollaston links.

OUR CHANCES

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I FEEL that the outlook is very bright for a great race in the National league the coming season. I expect the Braves to be in