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## tailend Charlie arrives

The last of five yachts crossed the Diamond Head finish line shortly after 4 p.m. yesterday, putting an end to the fourth biennial Multihull Transpacific Yacht Race.

Hurry-Kane, a 40-foot trimaran sloop which had been entirely out of communica-

tion for five days because of generator trouble, passed the Diamond Head buoy at 4:14 p.m. and was treated to a gala reception following its arrival at the Outrigger Canoe Club.

THE CRAFT, owned and skippered by Mike Kane,

was sighted by Honolulu Transpac communications chairman Tom Doyle off Sandy Beach shortly before 4 p.m. The Hurry-Kane had not been in radio contact since July 6, the second day of the race, and was last seen July 11.

Hurry-Kane's overall time

for the trip was 12 days, 6 hours, 54 minutes and 32 seconds.

Imi Loa, which finished at 9:19 a.m. yesterday, was clocked in 11 days, 23 hours, 58 minutes and 59 seconds, placing it fourth.

Previous finishers included Sea Bird, 10 days, 00 hours, 47 minutes and 27 seconds; Seasmoke, 10 days, 9 hours, 2 minutes and 39 seconds; and Glass Slipper II, 11 days, 8 hours and 17 minutes.

Sea Bird, a 44-foot catamaran owned and skippered by Bob Hanel of the Cabrillo Beach, Calif., Yacht Club, took both the overall time and corrected time championships.

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## Parties Fete Race

The fourth biennial Multihull Transpacific Yacht Race ended this week in Honolulu and several events are planned for the weekend to honor the winners and participants.

On Saturday, July 18, there will be an Aloha Cocktail Party at the Outrigger Canoe Club. It begins at 6:30 p.m. and dress is Hawaiian informal.

Visitors are invited and tickets are \$6 per person, covering all drinks and pupus.

They may be purchased at Outrigger Canoe Club and Multihull Transpac Headquarters at Transcontinental Marina, Inc.; Ala Wai Yacht Harbor.

On Sunday, July 19, is the trophy presentation banquet at the Waikiki Yacht Club.

No-host cocktails begin at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7. Trophy presentations will begin at 8 p.m.

Visitors are invited and tickets are \$7.50 per person. Reservations may be made by calling the Waikiki Yacht Club, 949-7141.

The race began July 4 from Point Fermin Buoy off San Pedro, California.

It is sponsored by ORCA (Ocean Racing Catamaran Assn.). Outrigger Canoe Club, Waikiki Yacht Club and Seal Beach Yacht Club.

YACHT RACE ENDS--  
The 1970 Multihull Transpacific Yacht Race came to an end here this week, starting July 4 from Point Fermin Buoy off San Pedro, California. Above is the yacht, Sea Smoke, as she crossed the finish line in 1968, piloted by television actor James Arness. First yacht to cross the finish line in the 1970 race was Sea Bird. This occurred Tuesday, July 14.

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## Surf Spray

By Ron Haworth



### World Pro-Am Surfing in Fall

It's official. The Smirnoff World Pro-Am is ticketed for Oahu, probably over Thanksgiving week, Nov. 23-29.

This welcome word was received early this week from Gregg Reynolds, public relations manager, Western States, Heublein, Inc.

Already hard at work to insure a top professional contest is Ron Sorrell, commissioner of the International Professional Surfing Association.

It will be the responsibility of the IPSA to stage the pro contest with the Hawaii Surfing Association sanctioning the amateur event.

Sole responsibility for world promotion of the 1970 contest would fall to Heublein.

At this early date many of the details are still unknown. Important factors such as size of field, competitors and rules will be known after Sorrell and a steering committee have conferred. But chances are the number of surfers invited will be kept in line with the Duke Classic formula—no less than 24, not more than 36.

### \$4,500 in Prize Money

Prize money will remain as it was in the '69 Santa Cruz contest—\$4,500. This makes the Smirnoff affair far and away the biggest on the pro scene.

At Santa Cruz the money was spread among men, women and tandem events. Because Sunset, the likely site, is generally too big for the latter two, the entire cash package will go to men.

And in all likelihood, the first-place purse will exceed last year's \$1,500. It is also possible the money will stretch down as far as eighth place.

Obvious surfers who will be considered to compete in the Smirnoff World Professional bracket are those who signed letters of intent two years ago this December and were the foundation of the IPSA, and others who are included in the HSA 4-A classification.

The latter is made up of those who have either surfed for money or have made money from direct surf-related ventures.

They include in part; Jim Blears, Ben Alpa, Randy Rarick, Paul Strauch, Fred Hemmings, and Rick Hoopii.

### Canoe Regatta Sunday

The Oahu Canoe Regatta Championships will be held this Sunday at 10 a.m. on the waters of Keehi Lagoon. The 14-race program is under the auspices of the Hawaii Canoe Racing Association and the fourth regatta of the summer season.

The favorite's role this time has to fall to defending champion Outrigger Canoe Club which also captured the previous three of the summer.

A titanic battle looms in the blue ribbon senior men's race over a 2½-mile course. Waikiki Surf Club puts an unblemished '70 record on the line.

And if OCC's Macfarlane effort is any indication of its ability this race could be won or lost by less than a canoe length.

However, it is very unlikely this race will have any bearing on the eventual regatta winner. Outrigger has too many guns and too much depth to lose except under extraordinary circumstances.

Healani and Waikiki Surf should put on a nip-and-tuck battle for runnerup position.

Those planning to attend should wear shoes and take some sort of posterior comfort to ward off broken glass and hot pavement.

The United States Surfboard Championships will be held at Huntington Beach, Calif. Sept. 18, 19 and 20.

The event will be sanctioned by the Western Surfing Association. More than 450 contestants are expected to compete, some from foreign countries.

The three-day event begins with a luau.

Local surfers interested should write the city of Huntington Beach, P.O. Box 190.

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### Oahu Regatta

Oahu's ten canoe clubs will compete in the Oahu Regatta Championships tomorrow at Keehi Lagoon.

The races begin at 10 a.m. with the top eight placers in each of the 14 events becoming eligible to enter the State Championships August 1st at Nawiliwili Harbor on Kauai.

The defending champion of the Oahu competition is the Outrigger Canoe Club which has won the first three regattas this season.