

# Harbor Day a jam-up Aloha party

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What started out to be the third annual Honolulu Harbor Day Regatta — an event that brought together the dedicated and nondedicated canoe paddlers — turned out to be a good excuse for a big party at Aloha Tower's Pier 10 yesterday.

Some participants, of course, took it seriously enough to win a race and a three-minute race, of course, provides enough exercise to offset an entire day of celebrating.

Many, however, will have a lot more exercising to do because the libations consumed on the pier almost matched the amount of water surrounding it.

But that was only part of the jubilation as 79 business groups, some without any canoe-paddling experience, took part. The festivities also included live music, a "Skinny Bikini" and wet T-shirt contests and an early evening disco.

The party continues at 9 a.m. today and includes the finals of racing among the entertainers and upper division canoe paddlers of the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association, the sponsors of the meet. Today's affair also includes a luau, awards ceremonies and boggle music.

But there was one intruder — or party pooper — yesterday.

A fishing boat, despite the cries from screaming officials at shore, ran right through the regatta course, dragging away the finish-line flags in its wake.

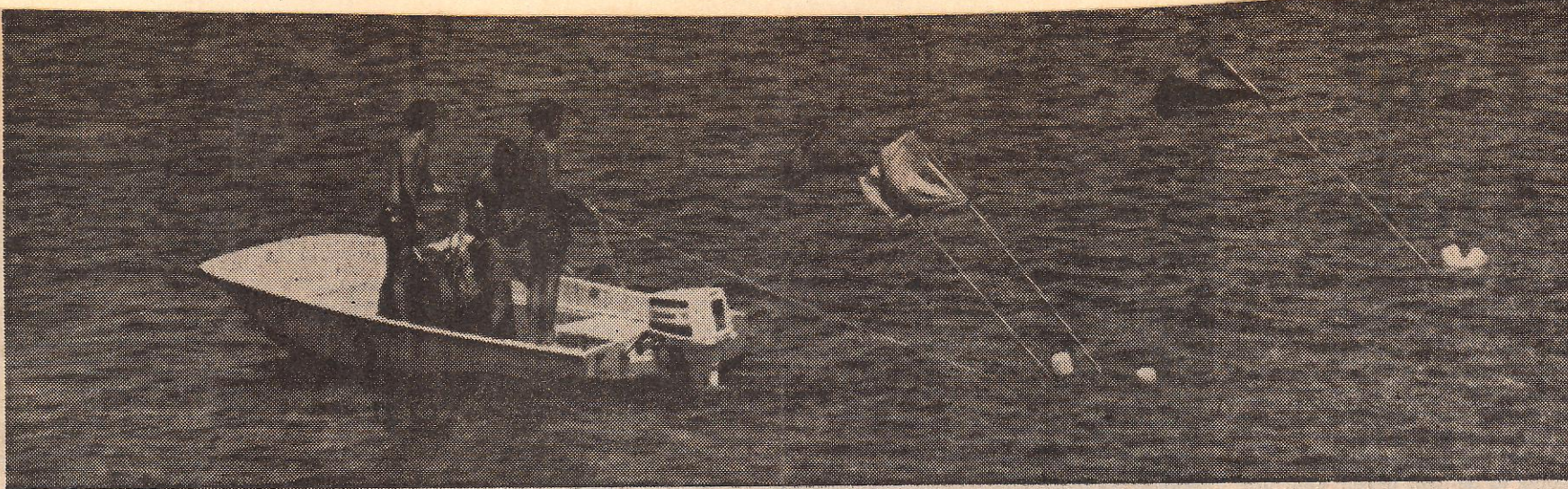
The boat's "big catch," which occurred during the women's B novice race, forced a rerun of the event and halted proceedings for about an hour.

"It (the boat) just came by and scooped all the flags," said meet director Mel Kalahiki. "All the flags were following it."

But once the flags were re-staked, the races continued with celebrity heats intermingled among the HCRA races.

Some of the HCRA coaches used the regatta as a barometer for the upcoming season that opens June 3 at Waianalo.

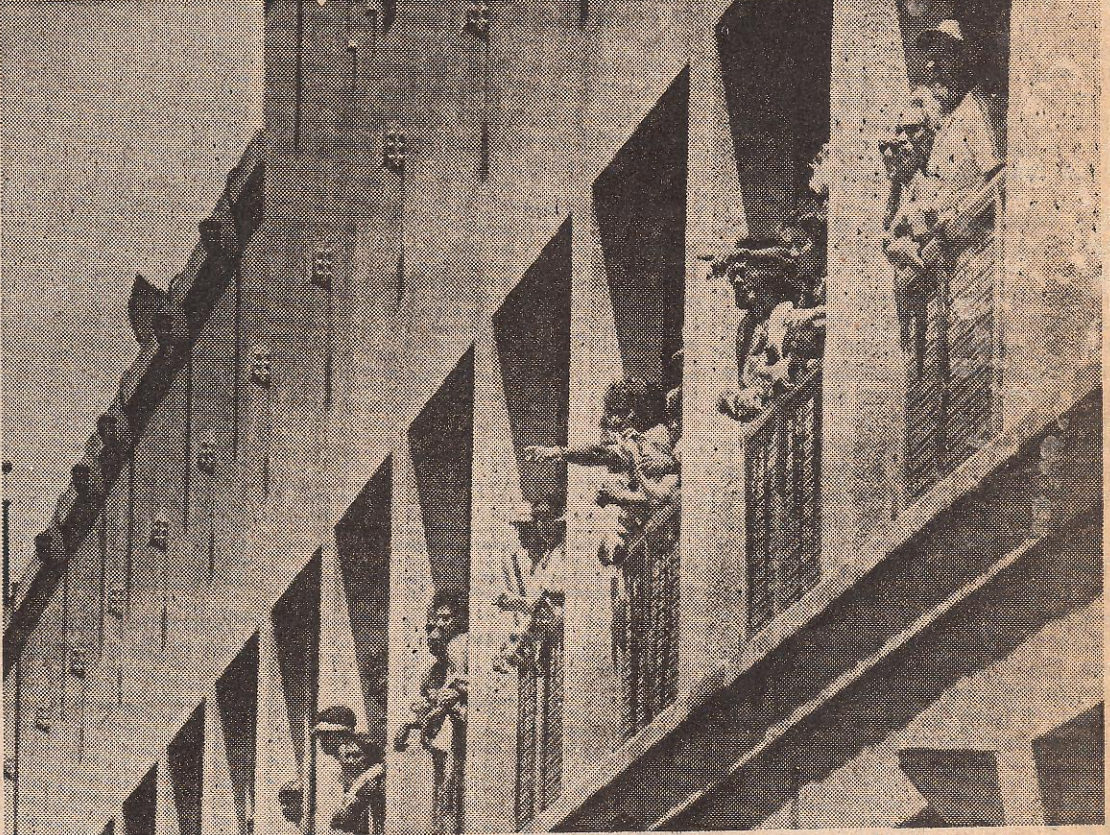
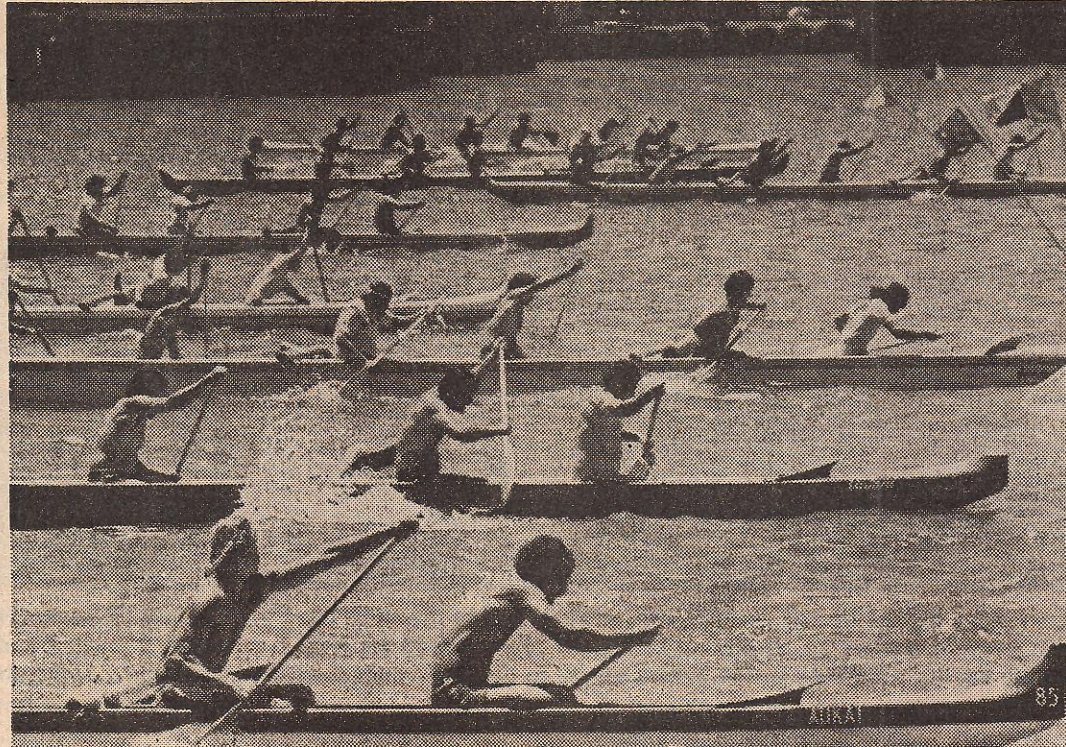
"It's better to find out what's wrong with us before the season,"



# The Harbor stakeout

Harbor Day Regatta aides round up the finish-line flags which were unceremoniously tugged away by a boat with the notation "NOVELTIES.101, Honolulu" on its stern. The regatta was delayed an hour while the flags were put back into place.

Advertiser photos by Gregory Yamamoto



While Harbor Day partygoers watch from Pier 10 pukas, the celebrities paddle it out in one of the canoe heats yesterday. From foreground to the distance are canoes representing El Morocco, Hawaiian Electric, Sea Life Park, Arthur's Flamingo Downtown, Budweiser, Power Pit and Hawaiian Telephone. El Morocco won the heat.

said Outrigger Canoe Club coach Nat Norfleet. "It gives us a chance to see what we're doing."

What did he find out from the races yesterday? "I found out that my 12 B's need more work," he said. One-time surfing king Fred Hemmings Jr. took a different perspective.

"The good thing about this is that it exposes a lot of people who normally would not have come into contact with the sport. It's the oldest

sport in Hawaii."

And there were many yesterday who discovered the sport's difficulty, one of which was a team of weight lifters from the Power Pit.

The team members got off to a bad start, had a hard time finding traction in the water and finished fourth, discovering that pumping iron is probably more to their liking than churning water.

"It's on the other end of the scale," said Power Pit co-owner

Mike Scott in comparing the two sports after paddling yesterday.

"Weightlifting is all strength. This is strictly endurance. We got a lot of strength but we need more endurance."

In that race, a team representing El Morocco finished first at 2:24.03 with Hawaiian Telephone second at 2:25.06. The Pit's time was 2:29.06.

But many of the celebrity teams yesterday were loaded with former canoe paddlers who obviously had

not lost their stroking form.

One "ringer" team represented Hawaiian Air, which probably clocked the one of the faster times of the day, turning a 1/4-mile time of 2:10.00.

The first celebrity event was won by Rhodes Travel, one of four travel teams coached by Pat Kahue and the group with the biggest cheering section.

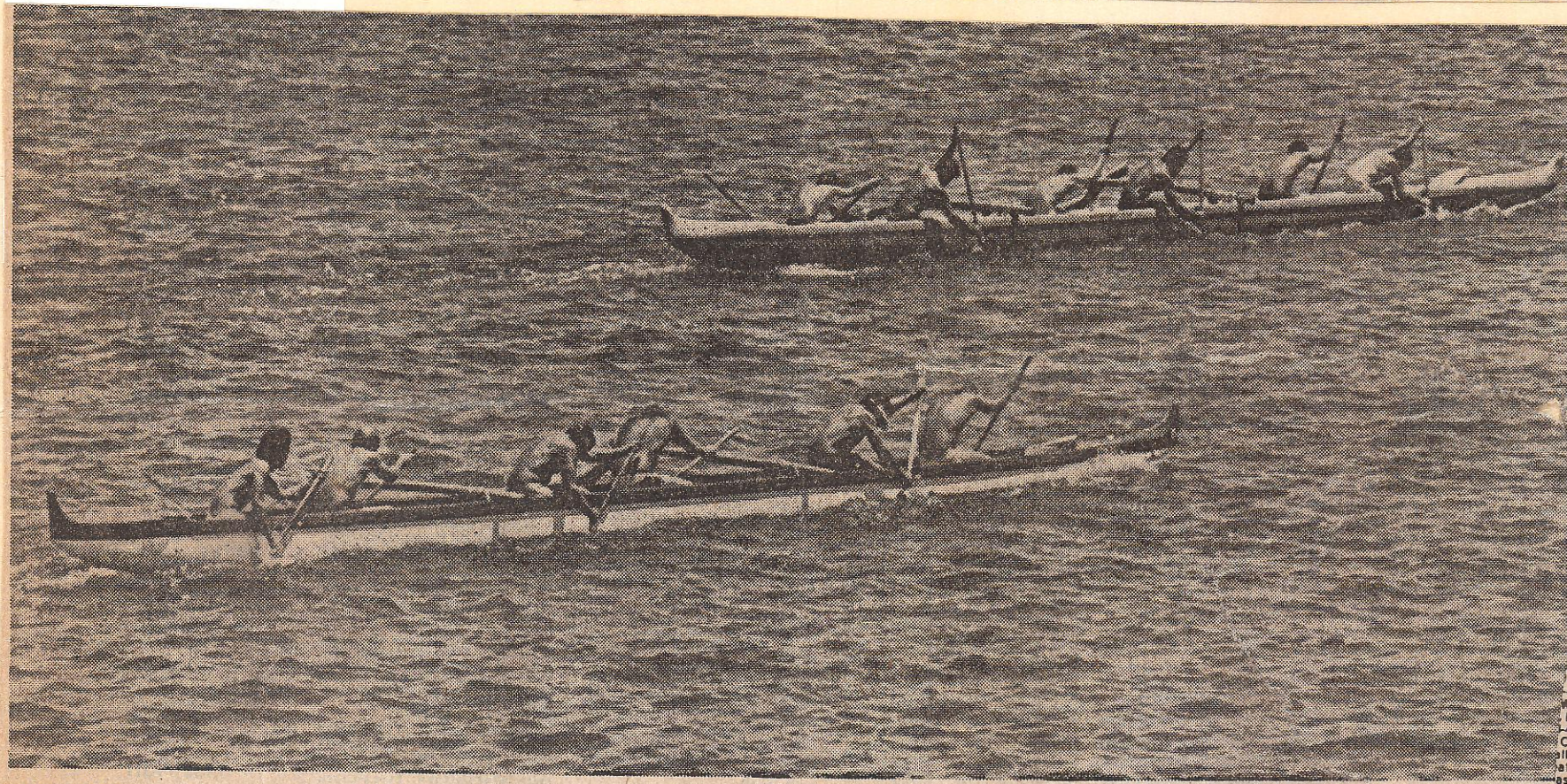
The all-women's celebrity race was won by Trade Wind Tours at

2:35.08, ahead of Rhodes Travel at 2:40.06.

Team totals for HCRA clubs will be completed today with the finish of the regatta.

All canoes yesterday were borrowed from HCRA clubs and most were fiberglass canoes, making the meet unofficial. But don't blame them. Would you lend your \$10,000 koa canoe to novices when a more inexpensive fiberglass (about \$3,000) canoe can be used?

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LAST LEG—At the one-mile mark of their race, Waikiki Surf's junior men head for the finish line with a slim lead over Outrigger Canoe Club. Waikiki Surf finished strong to win the race by nearly 40 seconds.

# A Regatta for Different Strokes

By Jack Wyatt  
Special to the Star-Bulletin

Perhaps it was just as well that canoe enthusiasts King Kamehameha, Duke Kahanamoku and Walter Macfarlane, were not around yesterday when the Honolulu Canoe Club

concluded its two-day Harbor Day Regatta in Honolulu Harbor. For they might have quickly turned to golf, hit the jogging path or headed straight for Outrigger Canoe Club's well-stocked bar to drown out what they had witnessed.

To say that HCC's third annual

canoe regatta was a bit unusual may be the weekend's understatement. It wasn't all that bad when a fishing boat wiped out the lane-flags while the novice women were paddling on Saturday. That mistake could be chalked up to the captain's navigating error.

"Our team was probably the only celebrity crew without ringers," boasted Steve Kaiser, a member of Sea Life Park's winning crew.

"We had Frank Sparks, Tim Guild, Jim Grimshaw, Solo Maldonaldo, myself, plus our required steersman, a guy named Jacob from Waikiki Surf Club. All, except Jacob, were amateurs. Sure I'm surprised that we won over-all. But I'm not about to give back the trophy because of it."

The Sea Life Park crew must have been on the right side of the regatta's handicapping formula for they actually placed a lowly seventh in a field of 10 in yesterday's championship celebrity heat.

Meanwhile, among the smaller but more serious crews of Oahu's canoe racing clubs, Hui Nalu topped Outrigger Canoe Club for their portion of the regatta title by the flip of a coin. Both clubs ended the two-day contest in a first place tie with 53 points apiece.

Lanikai Canoe Club, which suffered a false start in the men's senior event, placed third among the nine teams with 49 points.

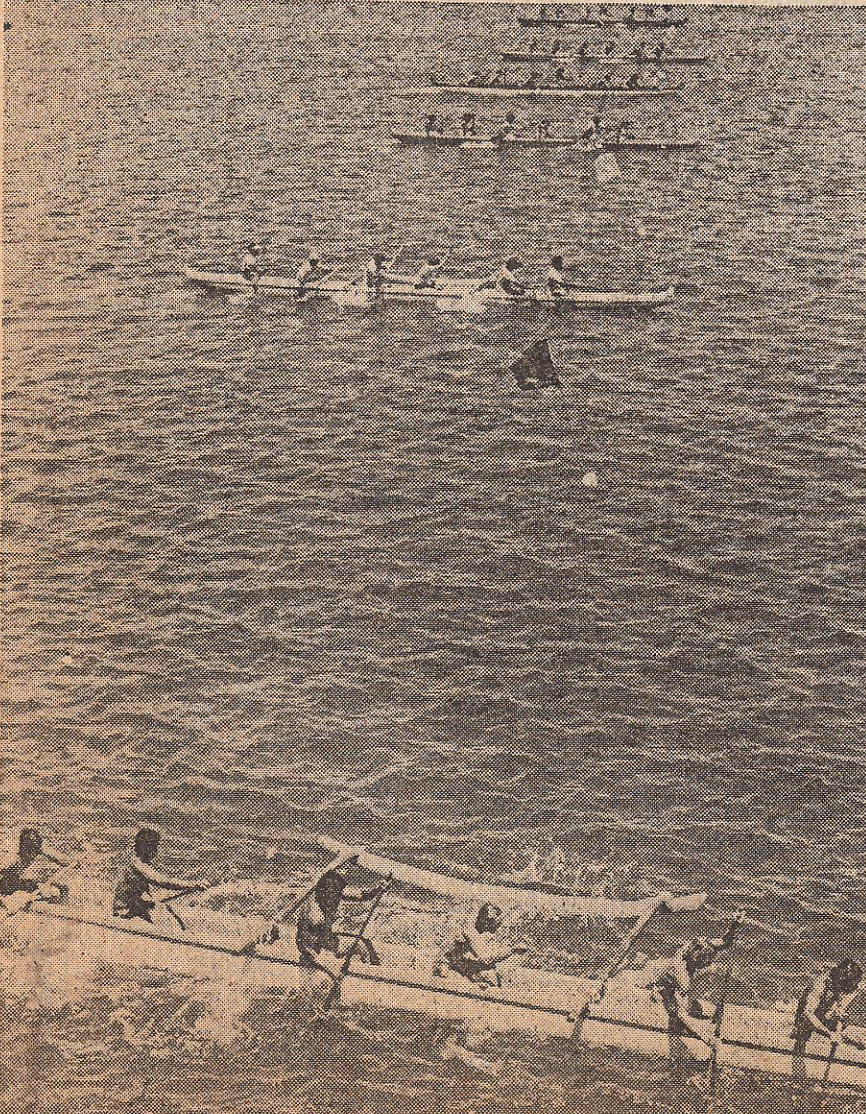
NOR WAS IT THAT unusual yesterday when three or four canoes swamped in the harbor's strong winds. Canoe upsets often happen.

But when a flip of a coin decides the club which wins the major prize (in this case it was Hui Nalu over Outrigger Canoe Club), and when the over-all winner (Sea Life Park) of the largest group—the celebrity paddlers—places far down the list in actual scoring . . . that's some canoe race.

But for all its happenings, Honolulu Canoe Club's one big event of the season was a resounding success.

Not only did the regatta draw 30 six-person paddling teams from Hawaii's business community along with nine Oahu canoe clubs competing in 24 events, but the regatta gave thousands of sun-baked paddlers, their friends and spectators an excuse to have a waterfront party at Aloha Tower.

IN ADDITION TO 44 canoe racing events in two days, race-followers witnessed two "beauty" contests; they danced for hours to decibellar-shattering music; they gorged themselves with luau food and washed it down with more than 15,000 cups (an estimated 75 kegs) of beer.



SHORT RACE—One of the celebrity crews, at bottom, was caught jumping the gun in yesterday's Harbor Day Regatta at Honolulu Harbor and immediately disqualified.—Star-Bulletin Photos by John Titchen.

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**Canoe Racing**  
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Day Regatta

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CELEBRITY STANDINGS (With Handicap Times)

1. Sea Life Park 1:51.2; 2. American Security Bank 1:52.3; 3. Dillingham Shipyards 1:54.4; 4. Outrigger's Place 2:06.4; 5. Trade Wind Tours 2:06.4; 6. Hawaiian Dredging and Const. 2:08.3; 7. Chart House (Kahului, Maui) 2:08.7; 8. Hawaiian Telephone Company 2:11.0; 9. Hawaiian Construction and Drilling Truckers 2:14.7; 10. Hawaiian Regent Hotel 2:20.5.

CELEBRITY HEAT LEADERS

Heat 1—1. Hawaiian Regent Hotel 2:28; 2. American Trust 2:30; 3. Hawaiian Scout 2:32.

Heat 2—1. Sea Life Park 2:19; 2. International Savings and Loan 2:20; 3. Ala Moana American Hotel 2:42.

Heat 3—1. American C & D Tractors 2:17; 2. American C & D Winers 2:23; 3. Paine Webber 2:24.

Heat 4—1. Trade Wind Tours 2:42; 2. Rhodes Travel 2:47; 3. City & County Park 2:48.

Heat 5—1. Hawaiian Dredging & Construction 1:17; 2. Bank of Hawaii 2:20; 3. Navy Wainanalo 2:21.

Heat 6—1. Chart House (Maui) 2:10; 2. Buz's Steakhouse 2:11; 3. Downtown Improvement 2:13.

Heat 7—1. American Security Bank 2:24; 2. Power Pit 2:26; 3. Bishop Street Exchange Club 2:33.

Heat 8—1. Dupont's Place 2:04; 2. Sunok 2:06; 3. Budget Rent-a-car 2:06.

Heat 9—1. Hawaiian Telephone 2:17; 2. Pacific Construction 2:19; 3. El Morocco 2:19.

Heat 10—1. Dillingham Shipyards 2:20; 2. Budweiser 2:27; 3. Hawaiian Regent Hotel 2:29.

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