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Outrigger, Healani Canoe Race Favorites

By Carl Machado
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Thirteen crews are poised for the annual Aloha Week Molokai-to-Oahu Outrigger Canoe Race tomorrow.

The race gets under way at 7:30 a.m. from Hale O Lono Harbor with the canoes heading for the finish line in front of the Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel.

Outrigger Canoe Club, last year's winner in the

koa class and Healani in the non-koa division, are favored to repeat.

Outrigger set a koa-division record in 1968 with a time of 5 hours, 45 minutes and 16 seconds. Healani won in 6 hours, 3 minutes and 26 seconds in 1968.

Outrigger, Waikiki Surf, Healani, Molokai, Maile Sons, Hui Nalu, Kamehameha, Kai Oni and Kau are entered in the koa division, while

the non-koa entries are Healani, Lanikai, Leeward Kai and Waikiki Surf.

Mark Buck, coach and captain of OCC, has four paddlers who were in last year's winning koa boat — Henry Ayau, Tom Conner, Fred Hemmings Jr. and William Mitchell.

Each canoe will be manned by six paddlers, with three qualified relief paddlers in a convoy boat which will follow each

canoe.

The crews have trained several months for the grueling race (approximately 37½ miles), which originated in 1952 with only three canoes entered.

The inaugural contest started at Molokai's Ilio Point and ended at the beach fronting Maona Hotel. The finish line was changed to Duke Kahana-moku Beach in 1956 and in 1968 the starting point

was changed to Hale O Lono Harbor.

Koa canoes only qualified as winners in the earlier races with fiberglass boats coming in as guest entries. Later the boats were grouped into koa and non-koa divisions.

Although there is no Mainland entry in this year's competition, several crews from California have participated in past races.

Outrigger survived a

swamping last year went on to its record-breaking victory.

The canoes, are often buffeted by huge waves and several have been split in half by the dangerous waters of the Molokai Channel, considered the roughest in the world.

The crews will be vying for \$1,000 in cash, medals and nine trophies.

Tomorrow's race will honor the late Elsie Ross

Lane. Andy Cummings is Grand Marshall and Maui's Mayor Elmer Cravalho will be the official starter.

Donald Dias, race chairman, is being assisted by the following members of the executive committee:

Paul Jones, Peppi Cooke, Robert Fischer, John Papua, Art Otremba, David Nottage, Frank Kaahanaui and Gladys Rodenhurst.

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SPORTS SHORTS

MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL (AP) — The name of Joe Schultz, manager of the Seattle Pilots, was tossed into the ring as a possible candidate for a new Minnesota Twins manager.

Still mentioned as candidates for the Twins job are Bill Rigney, former California manager; Eddie Yost, a New York Mets coach, and Billy Hunter, Baltimore Orioles coach.

Griffith said he will announce his decision this week.

CALIF. - SANTA CLARA (AP) — In a wild and frantic ball game, watched by a small crowd of 7,133, UH Rainbows defeated Univ. of Santa Clara Broncos, 33-26. Frustrated in the first half the Hawaii team came from behind, 23-7, at the end of the first quarter and 26-13 at halftime.

Waikiki Surf Club won the 18th annual 38-mile outrigger canoe race from Molokai to the beach at Waikiki, in 6 hours, 38 minutes, 26 seconds. This was 43 minutes off the record set last October by Outrigger Canoe Club which came in second. Eleven canoes were entered in this year's Aloha Week Classic.

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Waikiki Surf Club Winner in a Close Race

By Ron Haworth

Waikiki Surf Club.

The glory and pride of finishing first in yesterday's 38-mile 18th annual Molokai-to-Oahu outrigger canoe race filled the hearts of nine giddy paddlers representing the

In winning, WSC overcame second-place Outrigger Canoe Club five miles off Koko Head.

"We were behind," WSC captain Joe Gillman said lat-

er between gulps of orange juice.

"We knew we had to go out after Outrigger with all our guns.

"This was the toughest race I've ever paddled," he added.

Paddling the winning canoe, "Malia," were Jeff Chee, Randy Chun, Anthony Guerrero, Richard Henning, Blue Makua Jr., Andrew Miller, Joe Napoleon, Mike Tongg and Gillman.

THE CANOES are paddled

by six men with three alternates used under the free substitution rule.

Following Surf Club and Outrigger were Healani, and Lanikai. Kauai and Molokai finished sixth and seventh respectively.

This year's race was one of the closest in history. A spread of 18 minutes was all that separated the first four finishers.

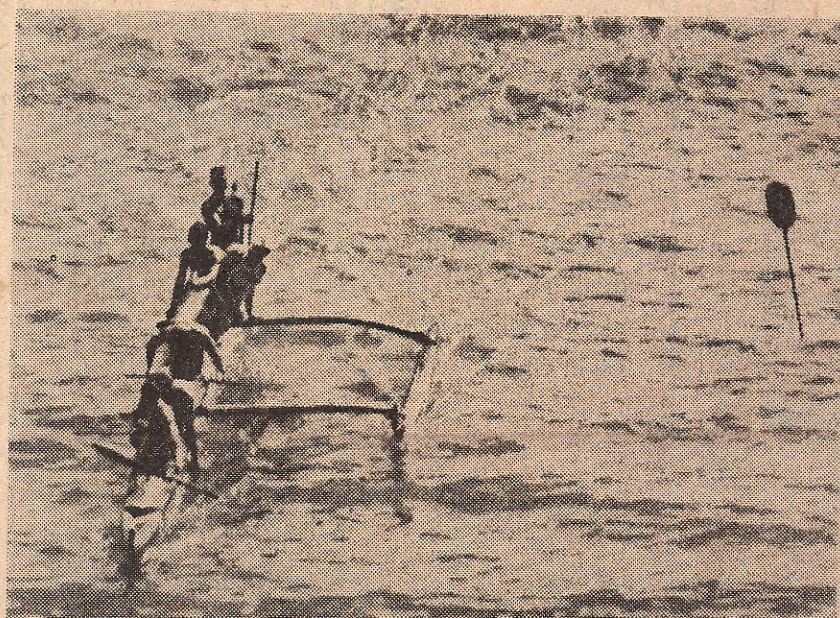
Waikiki Surf Club's winning time was six hours, 38 minutes and 26 seconds. First to finish in the non-koa class was Lanikai with a time of six hours, 56 minutes and 1 second.

YESTERDAY'S TIME was well off the record set by Outrigger last year of five hours, 45 minutes and 16 seconds. Trailing by 300 yards Outrigger gambled off Diamond Head and cut inside the reef. This maneuver meant flirting with the big surf cracking through at a break known as Rice Bowl.

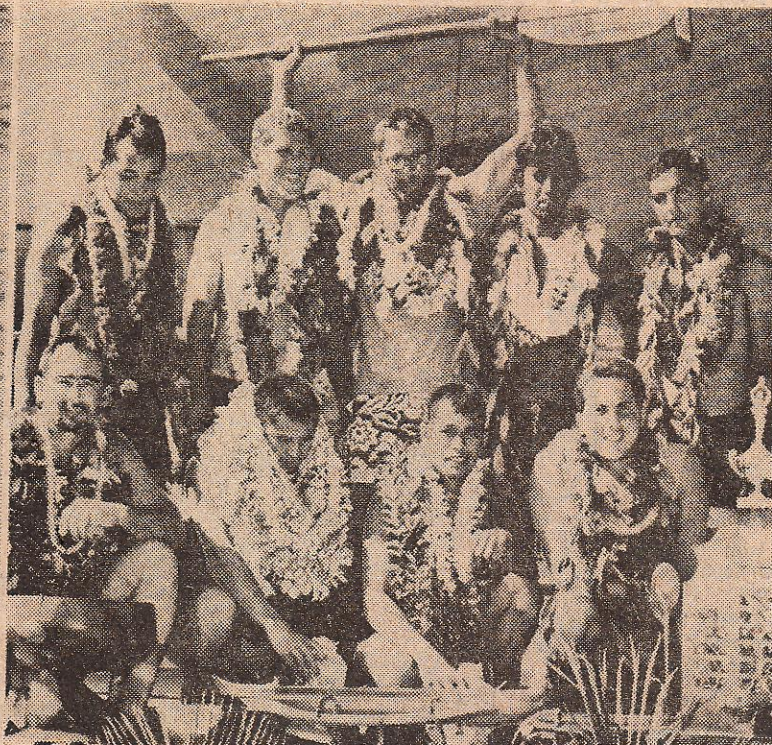
ALTHOUGH the maneuver did cut into the winners' lead it wasn't enough to deprive Waikiki Surf of their well-earned victory.

Yesterday's victory gave Waikiki Surf Club a clean sweep of the season's long distance races. Previously it won the Pokai Bay and Lanikai events.

A total of 12 canoes competed. Victory brought Surf Club a \$400 dollar check. Outrigger got \$200.



ONE PADDLE—Waikiki Surf Club's winning crew throws a paddle away after crossing the finish line off the Hawaiian Village Beach yesterday.—Photos by Jack Titchen.



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State Roundup

Waikiki Club Wins Molokai-Oahu Race

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Waikiki Surf Club's koa boat "Malia" finished first in Sunday's annual Molokai to Oahu outrigger canoe race, crossing the rugged Kaiwi channel in six hours, 38 minutes and 26 seconds. Second to finish was the Outrigger Canoe Club's koa entry, which last year set a record crossing of five hours, 55 minutes and 16 seconds.

Amateur Art Fujita of Honolulu fired a 75 final round at the Waiehu municipal course Sunday to win the 81st annual Maui Open golf tournament. Clyde Kahalehau, also an amateur, and pro Morgan Fottrell tied for second two

strikes behind Fujita with 223s on 54 holes.

The Hawaiian power boat association's defending champion Art Kalahiki won the unrestricted class boat race Sunday at Keeki Lagoon. Kalahiki picked up 400 points in the second heat.

The two berths in the Hawaiian International Open golf tournament for two Hawaii members of the PGA will be sought today by 14 local PGA members. The golfers will start a 36-hole qualifying round at Mid-Pacific Country Club this morning.

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It's men against the sea as the Outrigger Canoe Club's Kakina is paddled in the Molokai-Oahu canoe race. Story on B-1.—Photo by Ron Haworth.