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Surf Spray

By Ron Haworth



Tuesday's public hearing in City Council chambers concerning the proposed widening of Kuhio Beach drew approximately 100 interested citizens.

This is a marked contrast from two weeks previous when a well-organized citizens group opposed to high rises in Hawaii Kai turned out for standing room only.

Fortunately numbers do not assure victory or defeat. Tuesday's meeting

that subsequent meetings with the Emergency Committee to Save Our Surf had been most beneficial and enlightening.

Dr. Matsuda explained that in an attempt to rectify the situation, the proposed beach widening had been reduced from 160 feet to 110 feet and the Ewa groin which had threatened Baby Queens was to be moved Diamond Head, and shortened.

The State's willingness

in vain after weeks of pleading to any sympathetic ear.

Kelly's arguments were emphasized with visual aids in the form of a map illustrating the surfing sites along Kuhio Beach.

And if Matsuda's presentation had one glaring deficiency it was that his maps did not show a single offshore surfing site.

Even for an individual familiar with the area, visual orientation was difficult.

Some of Dr. Matsuda's facts were open to speculation. The State's claim that only 20 per cent of those on the beach in 1963 were visitors seems unreal.

IT IS OBVIOUS that the vast number of beach users are not permanent residents. However, the shadowy line is where you draw the dividing point separating tourist and long term visitor.

At this writing the Kuhio Surf is not totally saved—but it is recognized.

And maybe more important in the long run—it has been achieved through orderly processes and consultation.

Take a bow, SOS; the applause is yours and will long be remembered... and the echo will touch surfing everywhere.

WORLD CHAMPION
Fred Hemmings is also toting the mark in hopes of a Duke win.

Yesterday Hemmings presented Gov. Burns with the beautiful hand-hammered silver trophy he won last year in Puerto Rico during the World Surfing championships. Nineteen countries battled for the honor of world esteem won previously by Australia and Peru.

The trophy is valued at \$1,800 and will be on display at the State Capitol. It will be a fitting symbol and constant reminder that Hawaii was the birthplace of a sport now enjoyed in many oceans and seas.

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to correct a bad situation was no doubt partly brought about by public pressure.

BUT IT DOES exist. And Dr. Matsuda, in this reporter's opinion, is sincere in his search for a final plan which will please all concerned.

Herman Lemke and John Kelly spoke for SOS.

Lemke concluded that their efforts had not been



Fred Hemmings presents Gov. Burns with championship trophy which will go on display at State Capitol.

held promise. It was government at its best.

Dr. Fujio Matsuda, director of the State Department of Transportation, outlined with the aid of sketches the Kuhio plan—past and present.

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MP Reds capture early morning run

A small crowd gathered in front of Queen's Surf at 4 a.m. yesterday but it had nothing to do with the now controversial tourist attraction.

It so happened that 4 a.m. was the starting time for a 40-mile road running race and Queen's Surf was the starting point.

The Mid-Pacific Reds eventually won the marathon race, nosing out Windward Athletic Club by less than a minute at the finish line—which also was in front of the Queen's Surf.

Jeff Galloway of the Navy, running for the Mid-Pacific team, surged to the front down the final 100 yards to

beat second place Windward. The Reds time was 3 hours, 28 minutes and 50 seconds. Windward was clocked in 3:29:24.

Kailua Athletic Club took third and was followed by Outrigger Canoe Club and the Camp Smith Marines. The Mid-Pacific Reds were disqualified.

The 40-mile course looped around Makapuu, over the Pali, down Ala Moana Blvd and through Waikiki to Queen's Surf.

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THE Club Woman

Filipino Women

The Hawaii Filipino Women's Club will hold a membership tea Sunday at the Philippine Consulate from 2 to 4 p.m. Women of Filipino descent or married to Filipinos are eligible for membership and invited to attend.

Interested women may call Marcela Jose at 949-6191.

Nurses

The Hawaii Association of Nurse Anesthetists will have an election meeting at 7 tonight at the Kapiolani Maternity Hospital.

Dr. Duke Choy, pediatrician, will give a talk on "Hypnosis."

Garden Club

Ahihi Garden Club will feature a display and a demonstration by Mrs. Lyle Holmberg of decorating ideas at her home, 150 Kualima Drive, Lanikai, next Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Interested persons who wish to attend the club's meeting may call Mrs. J.B. Aldridge, 261-6820, or Mrs.

J.M. Shifferly, 261-0101 after 4:30 p.m.

Kappa Alumnae

A luncheon meeting for Kappa Kappa Gamma alumnae will be held Nov. 12 at 11:30 a.m. at the Outrigger Canoe Club.

Mrs. Betsy Pryor, province director of alumnae, will speak. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Richard Ferguson at 946-0125.

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Royal's Captain Is Real Oldtimer

Six structures housed all of Waikiki's tourists after World War II today, the concrete buildings are too numerous to count.

Less than a hundred individuals would sunbathe in relative privacy on Waikiki Beach years ago; today over 3,000 people enjoy the beach in cramped sandy quarters.

Pile drivers are as much a part of today's Waikiki scene as the sun and surf.

In the midst of all this Waikiki "progress" stands a man of an earlier era. On the beach fronting the Royal Hawaiian Hotel, he's as much a part of the landscape as the famed pink hotel building.

The man is Jimmy Hakuole, beach captain for the Royal Hawaiian Hotel for 20 years and a familiar Waikiki fig-

ure since 1932 when, as Jimmy says, "my foot got stuck in the sand."

A healthy, strong individual at age 64, Jimmy admits that "I really don't know how to tell you what old Hawaii was like. About 35-40 years ago it was really terrific - just beautiful."

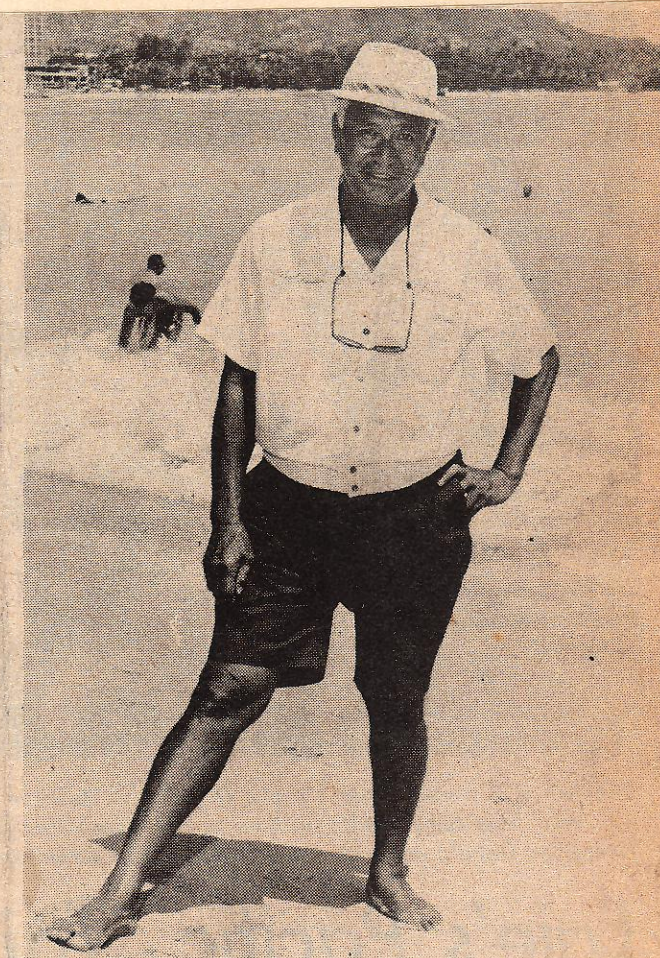
With a nostalgic look in his eyes, Jimmy describes the people that once visited the islands.

"They came by ship—the only transportation was the Lurline and the President boats. The plane was here but didn't do too much. The main mode of travel was the boats."

"Passengers would spend the three nights in port in one of the few hotels that were here—the Moana, Halekulani, Royal Hawaiian, Moana cottages, Seaside cottages and the Niumalu hotel. It was beautiful."

Jimmy still enjoys the people he cares for on the beach and has endless friends who come back to visit with him, chat with him, and enjoy his Hawaiian-kind humor.

Jimmy is Hawaiian "but my friends tell me I look Chinese," he



Beach Captain Jimmy Hakuole

says. Jimmy has a good head of white hair and sharp eyes that he describes as "sometimes blue, sometimes black."

"I like my job because it's a healthy job," Jimmy confides. "It's exciting. I meet many people and since I'm in good shape I hike in the sun and sand all day."

Jimmy is on the beach

from 9-6 daily except Mondays and Tuesdays, his off-days, when he tidies up his Kaimuki home and swims at the Outrigger Canoe Club.

"My life is the beach," Jimmy states, waving to friends who walk by. "I've studied many faces through the years and see new situations daily."

"People ask me for advice, tell me their life stories. I've learned a lot through my experiences with people."

For Jimmy, Waikiki beach is more than a famed strip of sand and ocean. It's a heritage with an ever-changing tale for those with time to listen.

Jimmy is one of Waikiki's learned children, a friendly man who has listened and learned well. - Anita Povich.