Waikiki Surf Club Wins Molokai-Oahu Canoe Race

Waikiki Suif Clab with veterans Dutchy Kino and Baldwin Alliner Makira at the helm, became the mist crew vesterday to win the Molokai-Oalia canor race two straight years by timishing the 36-mile grind in six hours and nine mimilies

Outrigger Canoe Clab made a strong comeback in the noe Club of Newport Beach,

with a record time of 5.56 made a gallant byd to win 'eighth annual' but faltered after leading swamped about half-way to most of the way to finish the finish line. third at 6 17.

mkai at 6 18,- Ini Nalu was at the halfway mark It was an exciting rare all time of 6.51. Kamehameha size by a big wave. the way, according to race from Hawaii was seventh with. The California boat was officials. The first five canoes a time of 7 10 and Molokai towed into port by the escortto cross the finish line at was the last of the nine en-boat. Ninhi, skippered by Duke Kahanamoka beach did tries to cross the finish line Addison Love and Sid Weinso within 10 minutes of each at 2.45 p.m. and a time of rich

The Newport Dunes Cahome stretch to finish second. Calif., did not finish. Race. officials reported that the first Mainland entry in the

One official said the Califormans were hooked up in a Alii perpetual trophy spen-IN FOURTH place was La- tight battle for fourth place titth at 6.19 while Healani Outrigger, Waikiki Surf and

Officals reported no casual-spectators ties or other injuries to the Head Road around noon as Newport entry following the soon as the first canne was swamping.

last year with a time of 6 08, also placed first in 1953 and 1955. With yesterday 3 triumph. Kino's paddlers permanently retired the Hawaii sored, coincidentally, by the Waikiki club

The winning crew crossed the finish line at 1:23 p.m. More than 10,000 persons. stretched from the Ma Wai Yacht Harbor shortline in. the Hawaiian Village Hotel, saw the canoes finish.

Several thousand more lined Diamond reported off Portlock.

Kino is the only man to race in the annual event eight straight years. Blue Makua has competed in seven races.

Waikiki Surf started the race with a lineup made up of Kino, Randy Chin, Rubin Makua, James Koko, Jeff Chee and Blue Makua, They finished with Kino, Chun, Chee, Lee McGrean, Koko and Blue Makua Allen Naone and Conrad Canha completed the crew.

KINO SAID competition was tougher this season because all the canoes stayed close. He reported that waves were rougher than last year.

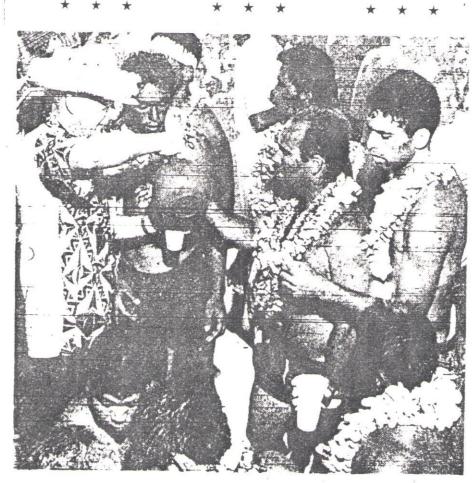
Kino added that his crew took the lead from Kai Oni after rounding Portlock and hitting smooth water. No one paddled the entire distance. They changed off in units of three about every hour, Kinn added,

He reported that they started later instead of the original time of around 5 % am. because of high seas at Kawakiii Beach.

The Warkiki Surf canne Malie was excuted for the eighth consecutive year by the escort boat Mele, skippered by Guy and Bob Roth-

Race ornicials had nothing but prinse for the enthusiasm and time spirit exhibited by the Calcornia entry from Acaport Bearing

. Their morate was high and



An official pours water for Conrad Canha as other Waikiki Surf Club paddlers stand around after finishing Molokal to Oahu canoe race.

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California Crew Swamps

man of the Newport Dunes tinued Canne Club which competed in vesterday's Molokar-Oahu race for the first time.

"We just slid the wrong way and over we went." Harrison said in explaining the cause of his camoe being swamped just a little past the halfway mark in the 36-mile we might have gone all the race.

"We made the wrong move other boys even said we were when we turned and went in third place. But I know we prove and manage to tinish." over," said 46 year-old Lorrin, were giving the other clubs a said Harrison, Harrison, captain and steers, good race," Harrison con-

> "It's just experience that we lacked. Besides, the water here is much rougher than the Catalina-Newport 'crossing and we weren't used to it although we gave it our every effort," he said.

"Some of our boys thought was it we didn't get swamped But it's one of those things. I "WE WERE IN contention understand someone always all the way and I think we gets swamped in this race here for Oahu's week-long ob- noe Racing Association. Paul

next year maybe we'll im-

"Our boys are still in high spirits and we hope to come back again next year. I'm sure we will," he added.

"It was a good experience for us and we know we made a lot of mistakes. We were going along smoothly and picking up on the other crews until our mishap think we were using 40 to 42 strokes a minute." Harrison

were in fourth position when and this year it was us." servance of Aloha Week be. Jones was in charge of the . We went over. Some of the "We know better now and fore returning next weekend, race committee.

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they were in the race all the way until they were swamped," said a member of the race committee.

The race last month between Catalina Island and Newport was a new experience for them and this was even a newer experience. They i experienced much higher waves and choppy seas compared to the water in the Catalina-Newport area," said the official.

All crews were received by the Alona Week king and queen and their court on a huge stage ejected on the beach, Governor William F. Quinn, who served as grand marshal welcomed the crews as they timished the race.

The race was sponsored by Moha Week, Inc., and con-The Californians are staying ducted by the Hawaiian Ca-