

BOAT CLUBS GETTING READY FOR RACES ON COMING REGATTA DAY

Though Regatta Day, which falls this year September 21, is quite a way off, both the Healan and Myrtle boat and rowing people are already putting in a lot of strenuous time in practise.

The interest this year is certainly greater than at any time in the past and this is more so due to the fact that Honolulu will have quite a bunch of Coast rowers to compete against, as the latest news is to the effect that the Alameda Rowing Club will be represented here on Regatta Day by twenty strong-armed members from across the sea. They are due to arrive in Honolulu September 16.

Between twenty and thirty members of both the Healan and Myrtle crews are out hard at work every afternoon and the waterfront about the boat houses presents a pretty busy scene.

The Puunene Club of Maui will be represented here by two crews and these are already hard at work in their home waters. The Maui people expect to carry off honors and this is very possible because of the thorough way they go at things once they decide to take part.

It is not known yet if Hilo will be represented as that burg has only lately started its first rowing club, but the chances are they will decide to work a wedge in sideways this year so as to have a look-in in 1913 when they should come strong.

The Hui Nalu and Outrigger clubs will be in the meet with their canoe crews and it is more than likely that the famous Kona (Hawaii) canoe people will come down. Prince Kuhio has of late years brought the Kona boys down here for the canoe and whale boat races and they are certainly the real thing in these lines.

Taken altogether the meet this year should turn out the most successful ever held in Hawaiian waters, more so on account of the presence of the "foreigners" from California. With the two regular boat clubs of Honolulu, the Maui club and possibly the Hilo bunch, the Alamedans and the Hui Nalu, Outrigger and Kona sports all on the spot, September 21 should turn out to be a red-letter day in local aquatic sports.
