

Kahanamoku Meet Colorful Sideshow Peps Up Program 'Hard Head' Shows Ability

The usual lull between events at swimming meets was well taken care of in the Duke P. Kahanamoku outdoor swimfest Wednesday night.

While some 2,500 fans were waiting for the start of a race after another event had been completed the Kamaaina Beachcombers' hui had plenty of entertainment on hand to occupy attention.

Band music was furnished by the Waipahu band and the Woodrow Wilson Post No. 10 outfit.

Before the meet was under way these two bands paraded into the natatorium playing snappy marches and went to their seats.

Following the diving event, Sonny Boy, tiny 8 year old diver, jumped off the high tower.

Following Sonny's dive John (Hard Head) Kahalehua, old time diver who thought nothing of plunging off 175 foot masts into the harbor, hauled his 267 pound frame to the top of the tower.

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After giving a Hawaiian warcry "Hard Head" dove from the tower in perfect form. He showed that although he may be 48 years old he is as good as a young man when it comes to diving. As he hit the surface water flew high in all directions.

Also on hand to entertain the folks was Amelia Guerro's troupe of hula girls. The girls gave several good exhibitions of hula dancing.

The Honolulu Firemen's glee club helped entertain between events.

Probably the most outstanding intermission skit was the fishermen's reeling contest. Fisherman participating hooked their lines on 25 gallon gasoline barrels.

They had to pull them in the length of the tank. Joe Stickney, a veteran fisherman, had the steadiest pull, winning by a slight margin.

Members of the Walkiki natatorium lifesaving crew gave a demonstration of their abilities. They rescued two "fake" drowners, one from each end of the tank.

TROPHY PRESENTED

The Hui Nalu club won the exhibition surfboard water polo game from the Outrigger team.

Before the swimming events started Captain Art Hargrave of the Olympic club presented Theodore (Pump) Searle, president of the Beachcombers' Hui, with a large silver trophy. This cup will be presented to the winning team in the 440 yard relay slated for Friday night.

An appreciation certificate was presented to Duke Kahanamoku by Dr. Al De Ferrari on behalf of the Olympic club of San Francisco.

The Hui has another bunch of interesting sidelights to present during intermissions at Friday's meet.