

KEALAKEKUA WILL BE RACE SCENE

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been named chairman of the general canoe racing committee of the organization.

Last year more than 5,000 persons attended the races, and large excursion parties from the other Islands made the trip to the historic bay and throughout the Kona area. The celebration ended with a big Hawaiian entertainment and dance at Kona Inn.

Attendance this year should be even greater. The navy attendance alone will be enormously increased because Rear Admiral Harry E. Yarnell, commanding the 14th Naval District, Pearl Harbor, has announced that the USS Montgomery, the USS Breese, the USS Beaver and the submarines S-21, S-23, S-32, S-35, S-18, S-22, S-31 and S-33 can be present owing to the schedule of employment and training for these craft.

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Owing to their schedule of operations the Montgomery and the Breese will not be able to transport civilian spectators as the USS Ramsey did last year except from Maui, should this be desired.

Preliminary races for Hawaii crews will probably be held on June 11 in order that a selection of the best paddlers on the Big Island may be ready on July 28 for the big classic.

Additional accommodations for spectators and visitors will be prepared this year at Napoopoo and along the shores of Kealakekua bay, for last year's attendance was so much greater than was expected that this second staging of the revival of Hawaii's ancient and royal sport should bring attendance in unprecedented measure.

An effort will be made to have outrigger crews from all of the islands in the race this year, and an increased number of women's crews.