Queen's Surfers To Train In Their New Canoe Today

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Queen's Surfers, under the direction of Coaches Charlie Amalu and Willie Whittle, will launch their new racing canoe this afternoon from Pier 15 after it is taken from an Inter-Island steamer and put in condition by local canoe experts.

The launching of the canoe will be in preparation for the big elimination canoe regatta which will be paddled in Honolulu Harbor Sunday, opening at 9:30 a.m. and the event today will mark an important step in the history of local racing, since it is the first canoe to be imported from an ..Outside Island for the express purpose of entering competition.

The new craft was built by Kona's most skilled canoe artists and was to have been used in training by Julian Yates' Honaunau crews. Learning of the plight of the Queen's club, which found

itself without a suitable boat, Yates notified Amalu that he would be given his choice of Honaunau's best boats. On a trip to Kona recently Amalu selected the canoe which arrives here by steamer this morning and for the next two days the Queen's paddlers will train in their new boat and accustom themselves to the "feel" of the speedy craft that is said to be one of the fastest ever launched in all Hawaii.

END TRAINING FRIDAY

For the next two days the Queen's crews will train in the harbor to get used to the smoother water. Training will end Friday evening, although Amalu said that the Queen's senior six might be sent over the course on an easy paddle Saturday afternoon.

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