

Yates Predicts Kona Races Will Provide Close Contests

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HILO, Aug. 10—Commenting on the elaborate and colorful outrigger canoe races to be staged in Kailua bay later this month, Julian R. Yates today placed the competitive feature of the races in a nutshell by saying:

"If the Honolulu crews beat us this year, seeking to get even for what happened the last two years, it won't be because we haven't got good crews.

"Judging from the information from Honolulu, I'd say they have strong crews. And the local paddlers are working just that much harder to see to it that they come out ahead again."

Of his own Honzunu-Napoopoo-Hookena paddlers he said: "I have crews better than last year. They already are showing more power and ability and, expecting more competition from Honolulu than in the past, the boys are working harder than ever."

HUI NALUS FEARED

Honolulu crews, he asserted,

this year are showing signs of awakening and making up for their defeats in 1933 and 1934. Hui Nalu especially is expected to be the big threat. Queen's Surf will furnish plenty of competition.

Demonstrating he knew what is going on in the clubs in Honolulu, Julian spoke of the paddlers in familiar terms. Queen's Surf will make a better showing than they did in the regatta early this month in Honolulu.

He stated there were substitutions which weakened the crew and that the lineups will show their full power two weeks hence in Kona waters.

Queen's Surf, according to information he has received, is going after the big events—the junior and senior sixes—and there will be more improvements by August 24.

HIS CREWS BETTER

His own crews he admitted to

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