

Big Canoe Races At Waikiki Beach Today

The second annual Walter MacFarlane memorial outrigger canoe races will be held today starting at 11:30 a. m. This is one of the outstanding beach programs of the year. The events include fourteen races with entries by enlisted men, officers, civilian seniors, juniors and women.

All of the events will be held off Waikiki beach proper with the finish line in front of the Outrigger Canoe Club.

The beach at Waikiki has been a busy place the past three weeks, with crews earnestly engaged in getting the fine points on paddling and steering and generally conditioning themselves for these events. Among the coaches of the crews have been the best that Hawaii provides, in the art of canoeing. Among them have been Duke Kahanamoku, John Hollinger, "Dad" Center, Bob Fisher and other old timers who have for years kept the sport alive and handed on to younger generations their skills and training.

The rewards to the winners are the finest group of cups and trophies ever assembled for canoe races held here.

The blue ribbon event, 11th on

the program is the six man senior crew race which is a gruelling and thrilling event, taking skill, stamina, courage and for which the Macfarlane perpetual cup was donated.

The 1943 races drew an audience estimated between 20 and 25 thousands persons and it is anticipated that the '44 races will bring out a still larger crowd of enthusiasts.

Below are the events:

- Junior 6-man canoe race.
- Service enlisted 6-man canoe race.
- Girls' 6-canoe race.
- Open surfboard paddle.
- Senior 4-man canoe race.
- Officers' 6-man canoe race.
- Kids under 16 6-man canoe race.
- Junior 6-man canoe race.
- Girls' 4-canoe race.
- Solid surfboard race.
- Senior 6-man canoe race.
- Men over 40 canoe race.
- 2-man open canoe race.
- 6-man relay canoe race.