

Outrigger Club Is Mecca For Island Visitors

Surfing and outrigger canoeing mecca of visitors to the islands is the Outrigger Canoe club located in the heart of the Waikiki district.

At the club located between the Royal Hawaiian and Moana hotels may be found excellent facilities for the two great Hawaiian water sports. The Waikiki Surfers (better known as the famed "beach boys") offer expert teaching and guidance as well as canoes and surfboards as part of the Outrigger Canoe beach services open to visitors by arrangement, telephone 91564.

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THE HISTORY of the Outrigger Canoe club is closely allied with the development of Waikiki as one of the tourist centers of the Pacific.

The Hawaiian Outrigger Canoe club was organized in May, 1908.

The trustees of the Queen Emma estate leased for 20 years at a small sum an acre and a half of land and lagoon between the Seaside and Moana hotels at Waikiki to trustees who guaranteed the property would be used only for the purpose of preserving surfing on board and in Hawaiian outrigger canoes. From this purpose came the name, Hawaiian Outrigger Canoe club.

CARRYING out the Hawaiian atmosphere, the trustees had two grass houses moved to the site. From this small beginning, the club during the last 40 years has grown to several hundred membership.

On the first board of directors and officers were kamaainas such as Alexander Hume Ford, C. H. Herbert, R. H. Trent, C. A. Frazier, Kenneth Winter, J. P. Cooke, J. R. Galt, H. R. Macfarlane and H. P. O'Sullivan.

Sanford B. Dole, first governor of the Territory of Hawaii (1900-1903), was president of the Outrigger Canoe club in 1910.