

# KONA CANOE RACES WERE GREAT EVENTS

## Editor The Advertiser:

The Kai Opua Canoe Club is training crews for the coming Julian R. Yates Hawaiian Canoe Racing Championships to be held at Kailua on August 9 and is interested in procuring data on the races that were held at Napoopoo (Kealakekua Bay) on August 4, 1934 and on the championship races held at Kailua Bay, Kona, either the previous year or the following year.

Specifically, we would like to get the winning times, if you can find such in your files, for the various events run off those two years.

Please accept our thanks for anything you can do to assist us in this matter.

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Kailua, Kona

J. C. TYLER JR., President

**Editor's Note**—Some 20,000 people from all over the Territory were on hand at Kealakekua Bay for the 1934 races which were the second annual championships to be held in Kona. Winners and their times as reported by Red McQueen for The Advertiser were Senior 6, 18:01, (a record time) won by Kailua; Senior 4, no time, Kailua; Senior 2, 7:26.8, Hui Nalu but a disqualification gave the race to Kailua; Junior 6, no time, tie between Kailua and Outrigger; Junior 4, 13:19.4, Kailua; Women's race, 6:38.8, Outrigger. Kailua won the meet with 27 points followed by Outrigger with 14, and the others far behind.

At the 1935 races on Aug. 24, witnessed by over 6,000 persons at Kailua, the Honaunau crews coached by Julian R. Yates won the meet with 26 points to Outrigger's 15. Winners and times as reported by Ez Crane and Henry Dougherty for The Advertiser were: Senior 6, 19:45, Honaunau by five feet; Senior 4, 3:53, Honaunau; Senior 2, 8:28, Outrigger; Junior 6, 13:02, Honaunau; Junior 4, 14:22, Honaunau; "Kids event," 6:59, Hui Nalu; Women's race, no time, Honaunau. Honaunau's winning senior 6 team included three University of Hawaii athletic greats: Tony Morse, Bill Ahuna and Francis Apoliona.