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## Kona Kai Opua Ties Waikiki For 2nd Place

KAILUA, Kona—The Outrigger Canoe club of Honolulu successfully defended its territorial canoe racing title in the Julian R. Yates regatta here Saturday.

Kona Kai Opua club, a new comer in the association this year, tied with the Waikiki Surf club for second place. Third place went to the Hui Nalu club of Honolulu and Kona again scored with 4th place won by the Honaunau club.

Unofficial point totals announced at the end of the races by John Lint, president of the sponsoring Hawaii Canoe Racing and Surfing association, are: Outrigger, 28; Kai Opua and Waikiki, 10 each; Hui Nalu, 8; Honaunau, 7.

The thriller of the day, termed the blue-ribbon race, was the senior six-man event, won by the Waikiki Surf club. This was a neck and neck paddle battle with the Outrigger club winning second place.

Hui Nalu club was third and the two Kona clubs gave a final thrill to the race in a photo-finish, with Kai Opua nosing out Honaunau.

The recently organized Kona clubs showed up surprisingly well in the races against the veteran Oahu teams.

Thousands of people watched the races from the Kailua shoreline. An accurate estimate of the number of people attending would be difficult because the crowd was so scattered.

President Lint assisted by Curtis Tyler, president of the Kai Opua club, announced the races, and as each event was finished the individual races received their trophies from Miss Nani Robertson, queen of the regatta.

The Hawaii County band supplied the music during the races and played a concert on Hulihee palace grounds afterwards. A luau on the palace grounds climaxed the event.

Mr. Lint expressed hope that the Yates regatta would become an annual affair. He expressed appreciation for the cooperation of the local clubs and the hope that the Big Island will be represented in racing events scheduled for next summer in Honolulu.

The association spent \$10,000 in staging the regatta in Kona on Saturday.

Following are results of the races:

Boys under 13 (no points awarded) — first — Honaunau; second — Kai Opua.

Freshman men—first — Kai Opua; second — Honaunau; third — Waikiki Surf, time - 8:19.

Junior men—first — Outrigger, second — Kai Opua; third — Honaunau, time - 17:15.

Junior women—first — Outrig-

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