Canoe Races Set For Sunday at Kailua Beach, Oahu

The third race of the Oahu canoe racing season is scheduled for 11 a.m. Sunday at Kailua Beach in preparation of the July 4 race at Waikiki Beach and the Oahu championships July 12.

But Oahu crews will be eyeing the Julian Yates Hawaiian Canoe Racing championships to be held at Kailua, Kona, July 23, 24 and 25.

Sunday's events are sponsored by the Hawaiian Canoe Racing and Surfing Association and will be held in the home waters of the Koolaupoko Canoe Club.

All seven competing clubs have been putting in strenuous practice sessions for this race and each will be out in full strength.

The Walter Macfarlane Memorial Canoe Races July 4 at Waikiki will be the next race before the Oahu championships July 12 at Keehi Lagoon.

MAY SEND 7 TEAMS

Last year, the Association sent the first three winners to the Hawaiian championships in Kona but this year it is hoping to send all seven clubs. (Oahu teams swept last year's regatta.)

But officials emphasize that that there must be public support of these races. as the one on Sunday, if Hawaii is to perpetuate this sport of kings.