Outrigger Expects Stiff Scrap for Yates Trophy

Grand Central Station had nothing on Kailua, Kona, Island of Hawaii, today as far as traffic was concerned.

Every joint of the tiny community was bursting at the seams while making last minute preparations for tomorrow's spectacular Julian R. Yates Canoe Racing Championships.

Outrigger crews and interested spectators from throughout the Territory were invading the village via all modes of travel — walking, airplanes and automobile. Even the famous Kona Nightingales (donkeys) got into the act as they carried a few spectators out of the hills to the racing site in front of Kona Inn.

10,000 EXPECTED

More than 10,000 spectators, most of which will come from the Big Island, are expected to dot the beaches at the site to witness the "grand old Hawaiian sport."

Outrigger Canoe Club, due to its whopping team victory last year during the revival of the Territorial championships, will carry the favorite's banner. But it would surprise no one to see Waikiki Surf, another Honolulu contender, grab the honors.

Island of Hawaii fans also look for their two entries, Kai Opua and Honokaa-Kona, to be the title running. Healani, Hui Kalia, Hui Nalu, and Koolaupoko, all of Oahu, are entered in the entries.

FEATURE EVENT

Feature event will be the senior 4-man outrigger canoe race. Again, everyone will be chasing the Kai Malino, Kona boat which has predominated in the gruelling grind during recent years.

Jim Smith, Allen Kay, Charley Martin, Robert Guild, Steamboat Jr., and O'Connor of the Outrigger rate as the best bet to upset the talented crew. Other hopefuls, George Downing, Moke Perkins, B. Makaena, Hartwell Freitas, Dutchy Kino and B. Makaena.

Gene Young and Coach Wally Froiseth helped Perkins, Kino, Freitas and Downing win the Territorial title last year.

"We've been chasing those guys a long time," said Assistant Coach Martin of Outrigger said. "Tomorrow we'll get another crack. "Boy, I sure hope we can catch those guys this time — they're fast."

THEY HAD DEPTH

The Outrigger lads and lassies showed an amazing overall depth in the Territorial first in the junior men six two mile, senior women six one mile, junior men four one mile, senior women six one mile and senior men four one mile.

Waikiki Surf has been working hard all season long in building up its other events. This work paid off as it dominated the Oahu championships to get to O.C.C. in the Oahu championships.

Kai Opua will have several outstanding performers competing to Curt Tyler, race official and one of the leading historians of the sport along the Kona coast. H. Ackerman, S. Salele, J. Kanahu, Ray Kaiwa, Jr. and Ben Pigao figure strongly in the "blue ribbon" event, Tyler said.

'OLDTIMER' BACK

"Kai Malino," the famed racing canoe built way back in 1895, is expected to carry the Kai Opua colors again.

Officials for the meet are: Sol Kaluna, chief judge; Mrs. Kaluna, clerks of course; George (Dad) Lee, Sherwood Greenwell, Robson Hind and Abel Lemos, judges; Harold Brown, Henry Lee Loy, Ernest Kaiwa, Jr., Charles Kramer, Jack Midkiff, Henry Flores and Al Lee, Jr., inspectors; Frank Ewing, A. E. (Toots) Minvielle, Harris Warren and Robert Osborne, timers; Bob Fischer and Charles Machado, starters; John M. Lind and Alex Kahanamoku, announcers; Hannah Kealoha and Dr. Wally Nagao, reporters.

Others serving the sponsoring organization, the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association, Charles Kaiwa in this year's venture are: Tyler, Robson Osborne, Administrant Anthony Cambra, coordinating committee; Lorrin P. Thurston, grand marshal; James Kealoha, Leighton Hind, Antone Grace, Herbert Ai, Jr., Charles Mau-Sie, Mokuahai and "Dad" Center, honorary officials. Ernest W. Stenberg and Jack M. Banks, program committee; Charley Marcus, publicity; Kai Opua and Honaunau, lane buoys; Kai Opua, finish; surveyor, Kahanamoku (chairman), Tyler, Roy Wall, Pat Silva, "Toots" Minvielle, Harris Warren, Joe Pang and Leon Sterling Jr., race committee.

HARD WORKER

Lind, hard-working president of the association, will act as "overseer" throughout the program. It was his efforts that helped no end in reviving the races that were once so popular in the Territory.

Numerous special festivities are on tap, including a dance at the Kona Inn Saturday night.

Oshiro Seeks 4th Straight Feature Win

The Futurity Division may snare all the attention tonight at the stock car races at the Stadium.

Kazu Oshiro will be driving for his fourth straight Futurity main event victory.

His car, the object of an investigation demanded by two other Futurity drivers—Al Tilley and Bill Howland—was cleared by the race officials after a complete breakdown of the engine for inspection.

Oshiro, who has probably the fastest and fastest Futurity car on the track, may be driving his last Futurity race this week or possibly next week.

NEW CAR COMING UP

He has a new car coming up and will be competing in the Sportsman Division.

Time trials will get under way at 6:30 tonight followed by the Futurity trophy dash at 7:30.

A Sportsman 40 lap main event will cap the 12 event program. A 20 lap main event is listed for the Futurity Division.

Service Loop Lists Crucial Weekend Tilts

By TOM HOPKINS

This could be the weekend that decides the Armed Forces Baseball pennant race, with fifth in the top four teams engaging in a series of battles among themselves that may leave two or more teams hanging on the ropes.

And to add to the importance of the weekend activities, history will be made when the Sub Pac-Pi Shafter game, scheduled for Sunday, is televised, marking the initial time television of baseball in the Islands.

This game, originally scheduled for Sub Pac's Mililani Field, has been moved to Ward Field at Fort Shafter. Command at Shafter has starting at 8.

It likely will be Bud Sneed on the mound for the Bears with Ken Bushaw working for the Commandos.

In another night battle at Schofield, the Redlanders who have played 37 innings in their last two outings (28 against Ft. Shafter and 17 against Hickam), will take on CinCSerPac.

Just for the record, Schofield had to go 10 innings before gaining a 7-6 victory over the Admirals in their last battle.

SATURDAY'S CARD

Saturday's card sends Hickam against Sub Pac in the 9 a.m. affair of the day, Naval Base to Kaneohe and the Pearl Harbor Shipyard to Barber's Point.

Roy Mehan, who did a one-inning relief stint against Coast Guard, is the probable pitching choice for Sub Pac while Cliff Capewell is expected to go for the Flyers.

Saturday's card, headed by the Shafter-SubPac fray, sends the Pear Harbor Marines to Coast Guard's Honolulu to Schofield Hickam to CincSerPac and Naval Base to Barber's Point.

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