

Seasmoke 640 Miles From Diamond Head

Light wind throughout the Trans-Pacific catamaran race to Honolulu has turned the one promising record assault into a "Hawaiian Cruise."

Race officials estimated the front running Seasmoke was approximately 640 miles from Diamond Head yesterday and should be about 350 miles away today.

Polynesian Concept was second 820 miles out, and reportedly stands a fine chance of winning on corrected time because it is the smallest of the seven-cat fleet.

Lani Kai is third, Manu Iwa fourth and Glass Slipper fifth. Imi Loa checked in sixth and Auriga seventh.

"They've never had even a consistent 15-knot wind," a local race official told The Advertiser last night. "They haven't been tested yet by heavy wind."

The current estimated time of arrival is either late Sunday or Monday.

The race began from San Pedro, Calif., July 4. The third annual race is co-sponsored by the Seal Beach, Calif. Yacht club, Outrigger Canoe Club and the Ocean Racing Catamaran Association.

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