

Trio to Attempt Channel Swim

Ian Emberson, Blake Marr and Archie Hapai will attempt to swim the treacherous Molo-kai Channel Jan. 15, weather and sea conditions permitting.

Emberson, 26, a political science major at the University of Hawaii, and Hapai, a food analyst at the Ilikai Hotel, have the experience to make the swim.

Emberson swam in three Maui-to-Lanai channel relay races for the Outrigger Canoe Club in addition to competing in three rough-water swimming events. Hapai, meanwhile, was the winner of the Mauna Kea Beach Hotel swim race in 1976 and participated in the Maui-to-Lanai swim as well as the Auau Channel swim.